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FAMOUS NOVELIST DEAD

SIR HALL CAINE

HIS FIRST PUBLICATION

A CONSCIENTIOUS AND INDUSTRIOUS LITTERATEUR.

London, Yesterday.

The novelist Sir Hall Caine died at 11.16 p.m. to-night.—Reuter.
A great Victorian novelist and dramatist has passed away, in the person of Sir Hall Caine, at the ripe age of 78. Born on May 14, 1853, of Manx and Cumberland parentage, was educated in schools in the Isle of Man and Liverpool.

He was brought up as an architect, but never practised, though he wrote technical articles for many architects' journals. At an early age he entered the profession of journalists and soon after became a leader-writer on the Liverpool Mercury. He finally migrated to London, particularly at the invitation and upon the advice of D. G. Rossetti, and lived with the poet-painter until his death.

FRIEND OF THE NOVICE

His career as a novelist began with the publication in 1885 of Shadow of a Crime. At almost regular intervals of a year followed those many novels with which he carved for himself a niche in the front rank of English novelists.

For many years he wrote frequently for the Daily Telegraph, and in 1891, at the request of the Russo-Jewish Committee, toured Poland and the frontier towns of Russia in connection with Jewish persecutions. His experiences were described in a series of articles in the Times.

Throughout the four years of the War he devoted himself almost exclusively to British propaganda in the United States. He was created a Knight in 1918, and had the C. H. conferred upon him in 1922. In 1915 he was made Officer of the Order of Leopold in recognition of his editorship of King Albert's Book in which a tribute is paid to the Belgian King and people.

He was made a J.P. in the Isle of Man in 1901, and was returned, the same year, to the House of Keys. In 1928 he was made a Freeman of Douglas, Isle of Man.

AN APPRECIATION.

By H. M. Forbes.

On first consideration one would not suspect that Hall Caine and Harry Lauder had much in common, but one thing they most certainly possessed—immense personality. Hall Caine was in the reading-room what Harry Lauder was in the dressing-room. Wherever either happened to be, he was the ruling spirit, the rallying ground of all discussion, the one unmistakable centre-piece of the gathering. Nor is this an idle platitude. Many brilliantly-gifted men are anything but mighty in personality.

As is well known, many men who in after life have won universal recognition as authors have in the stormy days of their youth found an outlet for their energies by dabbling in amateur editorship. Kipling and Robert Louis Stevenson are names which instinctively come to one's mind in this connection; but it is interesting to note that not even more enthusiastic were these in their early literary adventures than was Hall Caine, the occupant of precisely such an editorial chair at seventeen.

It was amusing to hear him speak of those far-off days, of how he lay awake at night yearning for the inspiration which was to render his name a household word throughout the English-speaking world. One realises as

he did, how very human he was in spite of his brilliant record, his immense success, not only as novelist, but as playwright.

Encouragement to the Novice. Hall Caine was one of those individuals who arrived at their proud position by dint of incessant toil, his pathway to success being dotted, especially in his early days by not a few bitter disappointments. A thing which endeared the author of "The Scapegoat" to those in Ink Street, the ever struggling army of Shoe Lane hacks, of Farringdon Street copy-producers, was the way in which he spoke of those early rebuffs.

"Success ruins scores of men; it did not spoil Hall Caine. For the struggling litterateur he had always a kindly word. 'Don't be disappointed,' he would reply to the youngsters who bombarded him with the question, 'How did you get there?' 'I got there by sticking it!' Some men do not like to talk of their vast difficulties, nor is this altogether surprising. There are those who succeed late in life, whose whole existence prior to 'arriving' has been one protracted encounter with hardship. With Hall Caine it was different. He had in his younger days many disappointments, but hard as these knocks unquestionably were, they were not so prolonged as to embitter the literary craftsman who in days to come was to give the world 'The Christian', 'The Manxman', 'The Prodigal Son'.

Thus, while there is nothing humorous in contemplating the ceaseless struggles of Dr. Johnson, the agonising labour of Thomas of Ecclefechan, with the struggles of Hall Caine it is entirely another story. A 'Dug-Out' in the Temple. 'In my early days,' he declared, 'I used to inhabit a dug-out in the temple in the shape of a couple of top-stories in a house in which I not only did my own cooking, but likewise all the remainder of the necessary housework.' But of this fact at least we must take youth found an outlet for their energies by dabbling in amateur editorship. Kipling and Robert Louis Stevenson are names which instinctively come to one's mind in this connection; but it is interesting to note that not even more enthusiastic were these in their early literary adventures than was Hall Caine, the occupant of precisely such an editorial chair at seventeen.

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was the spirit which dominated those first days of his in the Temple. He had made up his mind that, come what might, he meant to succeed; he did not, as so many young men do when they have their MSS. returned with thanks, fly back to the family roof. Not a bit of it! If he was merely to be a hack-writer he would anchor where he was, and squarely face the position. Hall Caine saw that even hack-writing has its possibilities—how many students turned out by the modern schools of journalism realise this?

In the matter of friendships, Hall Caine was particularly fortunate. To the lot of most prominent men falls the privilege of enjoying friendships of more than ordinary interest. In the case of Hall Caine—apart from the many prominent men with whom he more recently became acquainted, there was quite a coterie of brilliant minds with which he came in contact even during his novice days. Many a chat had he at that time with William—now Sir William—Watson; with the brilliantly clever, if somewhat eccentric, Wilkie Collins; with the romantic Rossetti; with that wonderful actor of whom Forbes Robertson still delights to speak with such enthusiasm—the great Irving; to say nothing of that mightiest of great Victorians, William Ewart Gladstone.

TEXAN OILFIELD.

Wells to Re-Open Under Conditions.

TROOPS TO REMAIN.

Austin, Texas, Yesterday. The East Texas oilfield is re-opening to-day subject to certain conditions to be laid down by the Texas Railroad Commission as the oil regulating body. A limited number of troops remain at the oilfield to aid the Commission to enforce its conditions.—Reuter.

A cable from Houston (Texas), on August 15 stated that drastic action to deal with the overproduction of oil had been taken by Governor Sterling, who announced that he had ordered National Guard units to be mobilised for duty in East Texas in order to shut down the wells.

This action followed the petition of oil operators that the waste of oil be forcibly prevented, pending the enforcement of the Conservation Law.

MR. J. H. THOMAS.

Not Entitled to His Pension.

N.U.R. DECISION.

London, Yesterday. Mr. J. H. Thomas's fall from grace is completed by the decision



Mr. J. H. Thomas.

of the National Union of Railwaymen's Executive, that he is not entitled to his pension.—Reuter. [An earlier cable said that he had resigned from his position, as political general secretary and head of the National Union of Railwaymen.]

BY AIR TO INDIA

FASTER AND MORE DIRECT SERVICE.

NEW ROUTE

LONDON-KARACHI SIX DAYS.

Rugby, Yesterday. Progress in the construction of a great maritime port at Haifa on the coast of Palestine will make it possible for Imperial Airways to introduce an experimentally faster and more direct Winter Air Service between Britain and India, beginning mid-October. Arrangements have been made for two Empire Air Mail Services to leave London every week, one on Saturday and the other on Wednesday. The Saturday service will carry the Indian airmail and, after leaving Athens, will continue by flying-boat via Cyprus to Haifa instead of via Crete to Alexandria. At Haifa, triple screw landplanes will continue the journey direct across Palestine and Iraq to Baghdad. The air mail will arrive at Karachi in less than six days after leaving London. The existing service, between Palestine and Egypt, will be retained and give through connections. The new arrangements will provide a direct air service between Britain and Palestine, and it will now also be possible to fly from Kenya Colony to India via Egypt in only eight days.—British Wireless Service.

FAIR TO SHOWERY.

The Royal Observatory's report issued at 10.35 o'clock this morning states:—

A moderate anticyclone is central over West Hokkaido. A trough of low pressure extends from Indo-China to Formosa.

There is no indication of a typhoon. Forecast:—E. or variable winds, moderate; fair to showery.

Rainfall. Rainfall for 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.11 inch. Total since January 1—60.82 inches against an average of 66.27 inches—deficit 5.45 inches.

Temperature. The temperature at certain selected centres this morning at 6 o'clock was:—
Hong Kong 80
Macao 81
Pratas Island 79
Manila 77
Poonchow 82
Amoy 82
Chefoo 72
Shanghai 76

GERMANY PREPARING FOR REBUFF.

Austria Bound by 1922 Protocol.

VERDICT OF THE HAGUE.

Berlin, Yesterday. Germany is preparing for a rebuff in connection with the proposed Austro-German Customs Union. It is expected that the International Court of the Hague's verdict will be that, while Germany is within her rights to negotiate such union, Austria is bound by the Geneva Protocol of 1922 by which she was granted financial assistance against a promise not to 'enter a Union'.—Reuter.

SPANISH SENSATION

NEW GOVERNMENT CONDEMNED.

WORKERS' JIB

A REVOLUTION FORESHADOWED.

Barcelona, Yesterday. A tremendous sensation has been caused by the issue of a manifesto by the National Confederation of Workers condemning the new Government as no better than the Monarchy, and pressing a social revolutionary movement toward either Fascism or Bolshevism.—Reuter.

CATALAN DEMANDS.

Subjects Reserved for Madrid Government.

The Statute of Autonomy for the Generalidad of Catalonia, which aims at the creation of an autonomous State within the Spanish Republic, is by no means so revolutionary a document as might be supposed, says the British United Press. Briefly, it embodies the following main provisions:—

1. The Catalan language will be recognised as the official language, but Castilian (Spanish) will be used in all communications with the Central Government and will be taught in schools as a special course.

2. The Spanish Republic is allowed control of:—

- Foreign relations.
- Relations between Church and State.
- Customs and tariffs.
- Army, Navy, and Air Force.
- Determination of Constitutional rights.
- Administration of mercantile marine.
- National finances.
- Posts, telegraphs, railways, and wireless.
- Colonial administration.
- Immigration and emigration.
- The Central Spanish Republic will regulate, and the Generalidad of Catalonia will execute, the following: Penal, civil, mercantile, criminal and labour laws; railways, canals, public works, and hydro-electric establishments; social insurance; dividends from monopolies; legislation regarding mining, hunting, and fishing; laws of copyright; the Press; laws of association; weights and measures; right of expropriation.

4. The Catalan Generalidad will have exclusive jurisdiction over the following: Education; municipal and territorial administration; nomination of notaries; public; legislation over railways, canals, ports, and other public works affecting land within the Generalidad; sanitation and public health; local police and the maintenance of public order within the borders of Catalonia.

5. Taxation to be divided. Roughly speaking, the indirect taxes will go to the Central Government, and the direct taxes within the Generalidad to Catalonia.

6. Catalonia shall be governed by a Parliament under the President of the Generalidad and his Council.

AUSTRALIA AND HER FINANCIAL CRISIS.

Extraordinary Response to Voluntary Conversion

Sydney, Yesterday. A nation-wide determination to surmount the financial crisis is reflected in the extraordinary response for voluntary conversion. The operation affects 250,000,000 of internal loans. Ninety-seven per cent. of holders have agreed to convert at a lower rate of interest.—Reuter.

HONGKONG TALKS TO CANTON

TELEPHONE LINE OPENED BY H.E. THE GOVERNOR

PERFECT RECEPTION

A NEW ERA IN BUSINESS LIFE OF COLONY

The Hong Kong-Canton long distance telephone system was formally opened by the Governor, Sir William Peel, K.B.E., K.C.M.G., this morning, when in the presence of members of the Legislative and Executive Councils, and other local notables, he put through a call from the offices of the Hong Kong Telephone Company, to Mr. Lam Wen-koi, Provincial Governor of Kwangtung.

His Excellency expressed himself as very glad to have the opportunity to speak direct to Mr. Lam in Canton upon this inauguration of the service. Later, he congratulated the directors of the Telephone Company upon their expeditious performance of such a useful and wonderful work.

Excellent Reception.

Mr. Lam Wen-koi replied to His Excellency after the Hon. Shou-shen Chow had sent greetings to Canton, in Chinese. Reception on both sides was stated to be very clear, and those present, who were provided with individual receivers, heard the reply from Canton most distinctly.

His Excellency was presented with a souvenir of the occasion by the Hon. C. G. S. Mackie, director of the Telephone Company.

Guests who attended were:—H.E. Major-General J. W. Sandilands, the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southorn, Hon. Mr. E. Taylor, Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabasted, Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, Hon. Sir Shou-shen Chow, Kt., Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, Hon. Mr. J. J. Patterson, Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, Hon. Dr. S. W. T'so, Hon. Mr. H. T. Creasy, Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, Hon. Mr. A. E. Wood, Hon. Dr. W. B. A. Moore, Messrs. J. P. Warren, Hong Kwong-tin, N. L. Smith, and J. P. Sherry (Manager, Hong Kong Telephone Co., Ltd.).

UP-TO-DATE SYSTEM

Mr. Mackie, in asking His Excellency to inaugurate the new service, said:—On behalf of the Hong Kong Telephone Company, I have to thank your Excellency for consenting to inaugurate the Trunk Telephone Service between Hong Kong and Canton, and would like to add that the Board of Directors deeply appreciate the honour which your presence here to-day confers on the Company.

"The trunk service to Canton is connected by direct underground cable from this building to the Central Exchange in Canton—a distance of some 110 miles. To make speech possible over this distance, a specially constructed cable, which required to be carefully balanced and loaded throughout its entire length, has been installed and it is worth of note that it is the first installation of its kind in China, although I believe it is but the forerunner of a telephone network embracing the whole of that vast country.

"In establishing telephonic communication with Canton, the Company, in co-operation with the Canton Administration, resolved that the best possible grade of service should be given to subscribers, and consequently the whole of the line has been placed underground and will therefore be free from interference even under the most adverse weather conditions.

"The service will be operated on a 'demand' basis, that is to say, under normal working conditions, the caller in Hong Kong will be connected, at once with his correspondent in Canton, and vice versa, without the irritating delays which, under the older system of trunk operating, have

always associated with long distance telephone calls. "I will now ask your Excellency to formally open this important trunk service by dialling '0' and requesting the trunk operator to connect you with Mr. Lam Wen-koi, Provincial Governor of Kwangtung." His Excellency's Message. His Excellency then asked to be connected with Mr. Lam Wen-koi, and after a very short interval said, "This is Sir William Peel speaking here. Can you hear me quite plainly?" A reply having apparently been received, Sir William proceeded:—"I am very glad to have this opportunity of speaking direct to you on the occasion of the inauguration of the long-distance telephone from Hong Kong to Canton. On behalf of those present, and the Chairman and directors of the Hong Kong Telephone Company, I send hearty greetings to all. "I am sure you will join with me in congratulating the directors upon having carried out this work so expeditiously, and having provided yet one more bond of union between this Colony and Canton. We all wish this undertaking every success."

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ROUND THE LOCAL CINEMAS.

Reviews from Official Sources.

"CHARLIE CHAN CARRIES ON."

Adhering with unusual fidelity to Earl Derr Bigger's noted story of the brilliant Chinese detective who "carries on" after the Scotland Yard inspector is wounded by the much sought criminal, "Charlie Chan Carries On," Fox mystery picture now at the King's Theatre is noteworthy for a remarkable cast and flawless direction.

The tale opens in the Scotland Yard headquarters in London, with the news of the murder of an elderly American millionaire.

In Nice another of the "round the World" party is killed, and a little farther on, in San Remo, a woman whom the inspector counted on to identify the criminal is herself murdered. Baffled, Inspector Duff goes to America to investigate the antecedents of the various members of the party.

At Honolulu, where Duff goes to intercept the group on their last lap, and to visit Charlie Chan, the inspector is shot down and Chan "carries on," and manages to trap the murderer as the vessel is nearing port.

Marguerite Churchill and John Garrier sustain the love interest, with Warner Oland forsaking his customary "heavy" roles to play the outstanding title role part, and a cast that includes many film favourites.

"STEPPING OUT."

Dialogue which contains a laugh in every line is reported to be a feature of "Stepping Out," new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer comedy-romance now being shown at the Queen's Theatre.

The original play by Elmer Harris which ran for several months on Broadway owed much of its success to the brilliant comedy lines which were incorporated intact in the movie version by the playwright. Additional "gags" and laugh lines were contributed by Robert F. Hopkins, who is responsible for much of the humour of recent William Haines comedies.

The story of the two wives who avenge themselves on their husbands' infidelity by going on a "spree" of their own easily lends itself to amusing conversation and repartee.

Charles F. Riesner, who directed the production, might be said to know his comedies from A to Z, having recently scored an outstanding success with "Caught Short" and "Reducing."

"KING OF JAZZ."

Only a modern motion studio could possibly have procured the vast resources necessary to bring into being such a super-spectacle as Universal's "King of Jazz," the all-talking, all-dancing all-Technicolor "revue of revues," which many of you have seen when it was shown at the Central Theatre.

To please their many patrons who asked them continually to put on a return engagement of that rare entertainment picture, the Central Theatre has decidedly put it on again for a few days' run starting from to-day.

As seen and heard upon the screen once before, the "King of Jazz" is the superlative in entertainment. But in order to build and present such a production, technical problems which would have been insurmountable in any other industry were met and resolved.

Because "King of Jazz" is essentially a musical picture, with Paul

Whiteman and his entire band in the starring role, elaborate measures were taken to ensure a sound quality which has proven to be incomparably superior to anything hitherto heard on the sound screen.

The material which went into the making of the hundreds of costumes worn by those who appear in the film would furnish dresses for all the women of a small city. In the "Madame" number alone more than 2,000 costumes were used, all especially designed for the film, as were the sets and the other costumes, by Herman Rosse, the famous New York designer, brought to Universal by John Murray Anderson, the director.

Altogether, at least 4,000 individual costumes, each a poem of sheer beauty, were created by Rosse and made by the Universal wardrobe staff.

Danny Hall and Thomas O'Neil in charge of the technical side of the picture, succeeded in creating for "King of Jazz" effects which never before have been conceived. Ray Rennahan, Hal Mohr and Jerome Ashe, cameramen, have achieved both comedy and spectacular photographic miracles which are completely new to the screen.

"DERELICT."

Stirring scenes of a rescue at sea, during a terrific tropical storm, furnish a few of the thrills in George Bancroft's new he-man drama, "Derelict," which the King's Theatre will show, starting next Thursday.

But the thrills continue right through the picture, as Bancroft's rivalry with his fellow sea captain, William Boyd, rises to white heat. Rivals in seamanship, rivals in love, they battle each other ashore and aloft from Havana to Rio, first one winning, then the other, until the treacherous tropical elements take a hand in the fateful struggle and decide the issue.

Bancroft's terrific man power was never so handsomely cast as it is in "Derelict." The story fairly breathes the tangy salt of the sea. It is a plot of rough sailor men, in strange ports, in isolated seas, and of a woman cast into a world where men fight for and take what they want. "Derelict" is combat and conflict every step of the way from the moment Bancroft steps off his ship into the life of beautiful Jessie Royce Landis, until he snatches her to safety from the submerged deck of his rival's cargo carrier.

Rowland V. Lee, who directed "Derelict," previously handled Bancroft in "The Wolf of Wall Street" and "Ladies Love Brutes." He has made of this picture a spectacular production, which required almost unbelievable preparation to film. Two ships actually crash at sea, while fog and storm actually vie with each other to settle the fate of these three hating and loving individuals.

William Boyd gives another of those thrilling, fighting characterisations which thrilled millions in "The Spoilers." The memorable fight in "The Spoilers," in which he battles Gary Cooper in a breath-taking sequence, is duplicated for thrills in "Derelict," where Boyd and Bancroft lock horns on the decks of a South American port.

"Derelict" was almost entirely filmed at sea, nine vessels, completely equipped with paraphernalia for filming, forming a floating studio of rare and unusual proportions.

"MEN CALL IT LOVE."

Featured members of the cast of "Men Call It Love" found it quite easy to assume the roles of the riotous matrimonial farce, for they

RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres:

6-8 p.m.—European Programme of Columbia Records kindly supplied by the Anderson Music Co.

6-6:21 p.m.—Band Selections. Regimental Marches.

The National Military Band (DB238-239).

Faithful and Bold (Rust).

The Middy March (Alford).

The Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards (DB236).

6:21-6:42 p.m.—Hawaiian Music. Hawaiian Love Bird.

Smiling Eyes.

King Nawahi's Hawaiians (DB291).

Hawaiian Capers.

Tickling the Strings.

King Nawahi's Hawaiians (DB292).

Kaiki Hawaiian Guitar Duet.

Kiss Me Again.

Hawaiian Guitar, Banjo & Ukulele Trio (G8423).

6:42-7:30 p.m.—Variety.

Vocal Duet.

With the Help of the Moon.

Lazy Day.

Layton & Johnstone (DB561).

Humorous Sketch.

So I Says to Him.

Sydney Howard (DB250).

Humorous Song.

The Happiest Couple in Lancashire.

Sydney Howard (DB250).

Xylophone Solo.

The Clatter of the Clogs.

The Dancing Tailor.

Rudy Starita (DB247).

Song.

Deep Night.

All Alone in Lovers' Lane.

Harry Shalson (Baritone) (5383).

Banjo Solo.

La Vivandiere.

Jay Dance.

Ernest Jones (DB236).

Vocal Duet.

Building a Home for You.

Smiles—Times on My Hands.

Layton & Johnstone (DB556).

7:30-8 p.m.—Musical Comedy.

The Maid of the Mountains.

Vocal Gems.

Columbia Light Opera Co. (DX81).

Nippy—Selection.

Deboy Somers Band (DX167).

White Horse Inn—Vocal Gems.

Columbia Light Opera Co. (DX251).

8 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.

8:03-11:30 p.m.—Ko Shing Theatre Relay.

11:30 p.m.—Close Down.

1,100,000 SIGNATURES.

Over 1,100,000 British people have now signed the International Declaration in favour of World Disarmament which is to be presented to the World Disarmament Conference in February.

The Declaration is being signed simultaneously in over 40 countries, and the grand total of signatures will reach several millions.

have all said "I do" in reality at one time or another in their lives.

Adolphe Menjou, who plays the golf champion Romeo, is married to the beautiful Katherine Carver. Lella Hyams, the leading feminine player, is the wife of Emil Berg, Norman Foster, who appears as the careless husband in the picture, is in reality the husband of Claude Colbert.

Others in the cast who have "ankled up the altar" include Hedda Hopper, who is sometimes called Mrs. De Wolf Hopper, and Robert Emmett Keane, who is married to Claire Whitney, his former vaudeville partner.

Edgar Selwyn directed the picturization of the stage play by Vincent Lawrence which scored on Broadway under the title of "Among the Married." The plot concerns the marital tribulations of a younger modern set centering particularly upon a suave bachelor who makes it his business to understand misunderstanding wives.

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN CHINA MAIL.

Entertainments.

To-day—King's Theatre:

"Charlie Chan Carries On."

To-day—Queen's Theatre:

"Stepping Out."

To-day—Central Theatre:

"King of Jazz."

To-day—Majestic Theatre:

"Lord Richard in the Pantry."

To-day—Star Theatre:

"So This Is College."

Meeting.

To-day—Sanitary Board Meeting, 4.15 p.m.

Sports.

See Sports Diary on Page 4.

Home Malls.

To-morrow—Outward for America and Europe via Siberia (Chichibu Maru) 8.30 a.m. for Europe via Suez (Hector) 12.30 p.m.

Miscellaneous.

Friday—Philharmonic Chorus Rehearsals, 8.45 p.m.

September 4—Reception for Miss Marion Hewlett, Helena May Institute, 11.30 a.m.

POLICE RESERVE.

Orders for the Current Week.

Orders by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Inspector-General of Police, are as under:

Aquatic Sports.

Members of the Hong Kong Police Reserve are reminded that the entries for the 10th. Annual Aquatic Sports of the Police and Prison Departments to be held at the V.R.C. on Saturday, September 19, must be sent to Police Sergeant R. J. Hunt to-day.

General.

Revolver Practice.—The regular weekly revolver practice will take place at the Bowen Road Revolver Range to-morrow, at 17.15 hours under S. I. Hopkins, Musketry Instructor. All members of the Chinese Company who have not passed Part III of Training Course should attend without fail.

Training Course—Part II.

The weekly classes for Police Reservists at the Chinese Company's Headquarters, 17, Queen's Road Central will be held as usual to-day, at 5.30 a.m. All members of the Chinese Company and of the Flying Squad who have not passed Part II of Training Course should attend.

Chinese Company.

Revolver Practice.—Revolver practice will be carried out on the Bowen Road Revolver Range to-morrow. All members of the Chinese Company who have not passed Part III of Training Course this year should attend without fail.

Training Course—Part I.—The following members have been passed out as efficient in Part I of Training Course (Squad Drill):

Constables R21 Lo Hau Kan, R37 Ip Fook Chuen, and R84 Lemme Teh Min.

Indian Company.

Revolver Practice.—Revolver practice will be carried out on the Bowen Road Revolver Range on Thursday, September 3 at 17.15 hours under S. I. Hopkins, Musketry Instructor. All members of the Indian Company who have not passed Part III of Training Course this year should attend without fail.

Flying Squad.

The weekly instructional patrols for the Flying Squad are discontinued and there will be a monthly patrol which will take place on the last Friday of each month. All members to attend.

Sharpshooters' Company.

Strength.—Constable R433 R. A. Mirams has been permitted to re-

MR. GANDHY IS IN LONDON.

"A Relative? Not At All!"

Meet the other Mr. Gandhi. He is lying propped up on pillows in bed at a Dorset Square nursing-home. That was where a Sunday Express representative found him.

The conversation was brief and pointed. Like this:—

"Mr. Gandhi?"

"Yes."

"Are you a near relative of—?"

"No."

Not even his brother?"

"No."

"Well, the name—?"

"Not at all. The other Mr. Gandhi spells his with an 'i'. I spell mine with a 'y'. He is a Hindu. I am a Parsee."

"Oh well, then I am sorry—"

"Not at all. It's always happening. Once I had to go to a hill station in India on business. The authorities were so confident that I was Mr. Gandhi that they gave me an escort of police."

Then Mr. Gandhi turned over and went to sleep, thoroughly bored.

STANDARD TIMES.

Sunrise and Sunset in Colony.

Sunrise and Sunset in Hong Kong for September, 1931, Standard time of the 120th Meridian (East of Greenwich) are as follows:—

September	a.m.	p.m.
1	6.05	6.41
2	6.06	6.40
3	6.06	6.39
4	6.07	6.38
5	6.07	6.38
6	6.07	6.37
7	6.07	6.35
8	6.08	6.34
9	6.08	6.33
10	6.08	6.32
11	6.08	6.31
12	6.08	6.30
13	6.09	6.29
14	6.09	6.28
15	6.10	6.28
16	6.10	6.27
17	6.11	6.26
18	6.11	6.25
19	6.11	6.24
20	6.11	6.23
21	6.11	6.22
22	6.12	6.21
23	6.12	6.20
24	6.12	6.19
25	6.12	6.17
26	6.13	6.17
27	6.13	6.16
28	6.14	6.15
29	6.14	6.14
30	6.14	6.13

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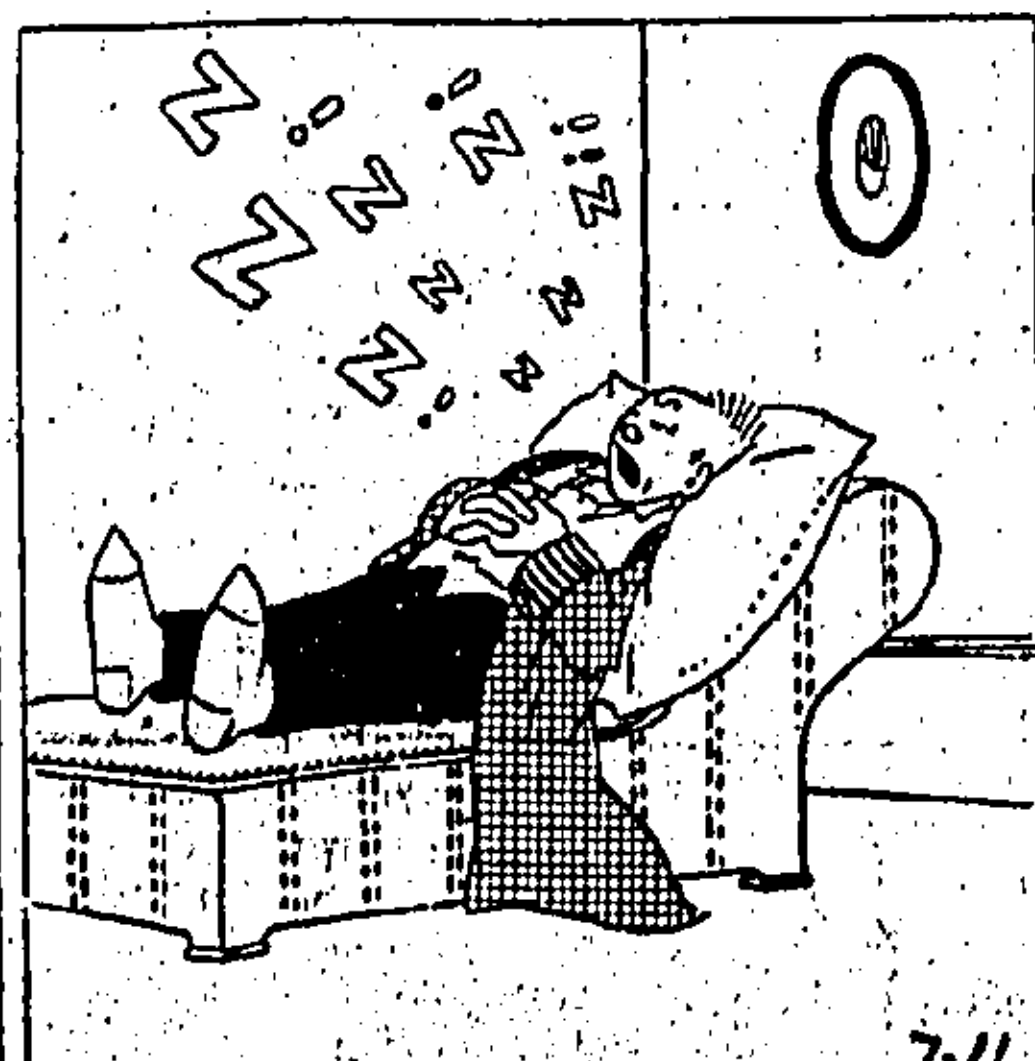
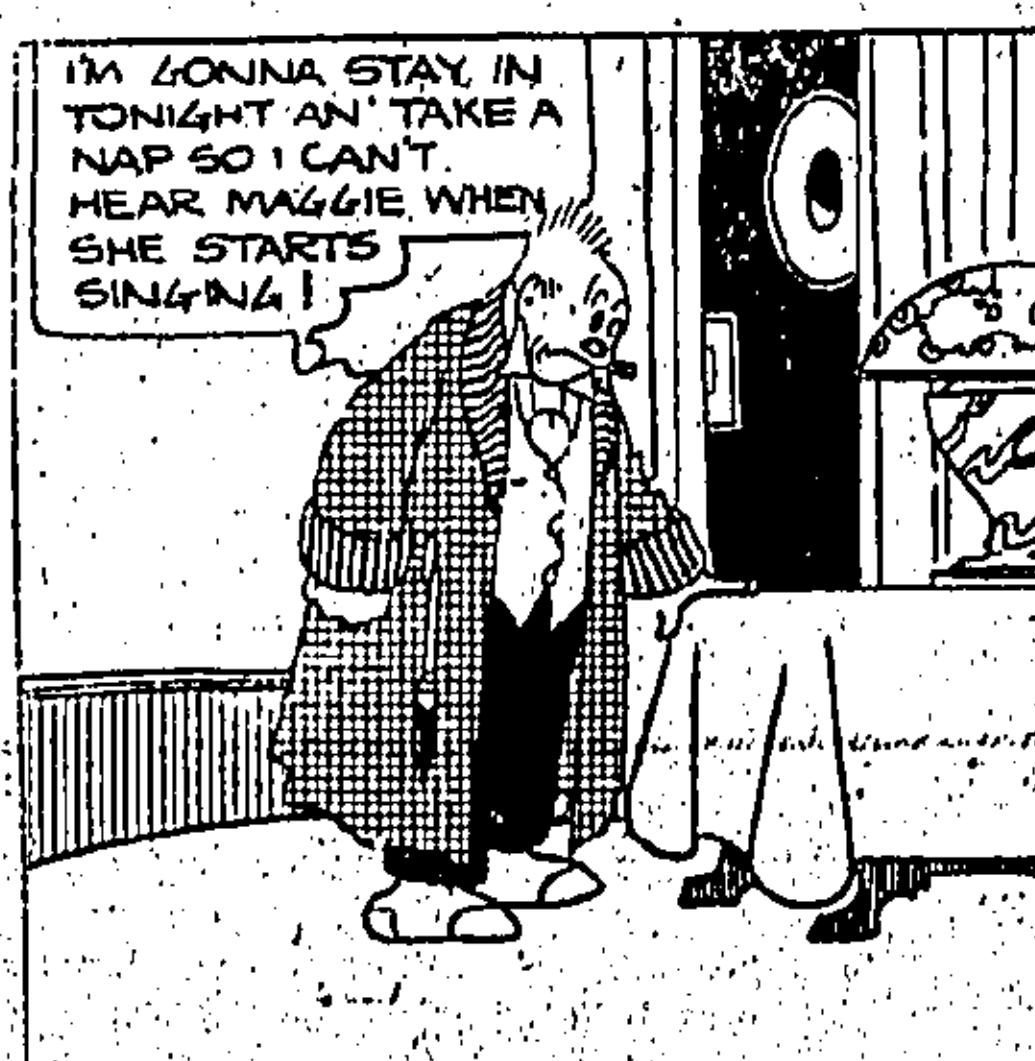
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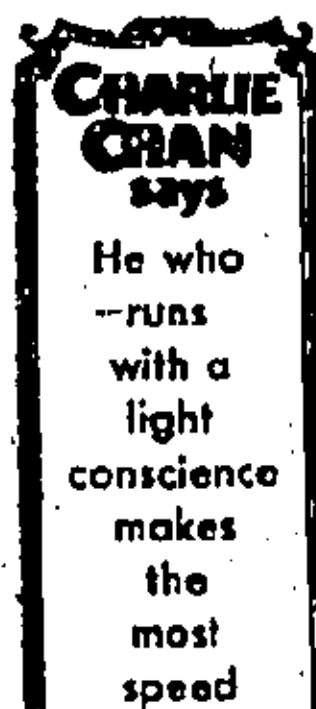
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CURRENT SPORTING GOSSIP

UNIVERSITY TAKE ALL 9 SETS.

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LEAGUE TENNIS.

The H.K. University beat the Radio S.C. yesterday in the "C" Division of the Lawn Tennis League by 9 sets to nil on the home ground.

L. A. de Silva and L. Oppenheim (University):—
beat W. Chanson and Y. T. Mann 6-3
beat W. Wu and C. N. Tsang 7-5
beat C. N. Lau and W. Abbas 6-2

P. P. Kho and K. M. Lo (University):—
beat W. Chanson and Y. T. Mann 6-3
beat W. Wu and C. N. Tsang 7-5
beat C. N. Lau and W. Abbas 6-3

P. L. Tan and A. L. Tsai (University):—
beat W. Chanson and Y. T. Mann 6-1
beat W. Wu and C. N. Tsang 6-3
beat C. N. Lau and W. Abbas 6-0

League Table to Date.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
C.R.C.	14	13	1	0	106	18	27
Recreio	13	12	1	0	82	36	26
University	12	10	0	2	81 1/2	26 1/2	20
S. China	14	0	0	5	76 1/2	45 1/2	18
Y.M.C.A.	13	8	0	5	66 1/2	50 1/2	16
K.C.C.	12	7	1	4	57 1/2	56 1/2	16
Grady A.	13	8	0	5	65 1/2	46 1/2	16
H.K.C.C.	13	6	1	6	47	60	13
Radio S.C.	14	4	2	8	45 1/2	77 1/2	10
I.R.C.	13	4	1	8	44 1/2	71 1/2	9
Army T.C.	12	3	1	8	35 1/2	69 1/2	7
C.C.C.	12	3	0	9	37 1/2	70 1/2	6
K.I.T.C.	14	2	1	11	42	84	5
C.S.C.C.	14	1	2	11	39 1/2	77 1/2	4
Deutscher C.	13	2	1	10	32	84	5

JUNIOR PING PONG LEAGUE.

Results and Week's Fixtures.

Matches played in the Junior League last week, resulted as follows:—

Chinese Catholic beat H.K. University, 27 to 8.
Hin Kun School beat Chung Nam A.A. 23 to 12.
Southern A.A. beat Congregation Club, w.o.
South China Girls beat University, 18 to 17.
Commercial Press beat Tai Tung School 21 to 14.
University beat Ying Nin Club, 20 to 15.
Yee Wo Club beat Indian R.C., 32 to 3.
Confucian Association beat University, 22 to 13.
Fukien A.A. beat Eastern A.A., 32 to 3.
Yee Wo Club beat Commercial Press 26 to 9.
A full schedule of matches to be played is given below:—

September 1.
Eastern A.A. v. Ying Nin Club (Eastern A.A.).
South China "Girls" v. Ming Tak Club (South China A.A.).
Confucian Association v. Fukien A.A. (Fukien A.A.).
September 2.
Commercial Press v. Chung Nam A.A. (Confucian Assoc.).
Indian R.C. v. Tai Tung College (Confucian Assoc.).
September 3.
Catholic Club v. Ying Nin Club (South China A.A.).
Eastern A.A. v. Ming Tak Club (Eastern A.A.).
September 4.
South China "B" v. Chung Nam A.A. (Confucian Assoc.).
Nam Fong Club v. Yee Wo Club (Confucian Assoc.).
Confucian Association v. Ying Nin Club (Fukien A.A.).
September 5.
Fukien A.A. v. Ming Tak Club (Hin Kun School).
September 6.
Indian R.C. v. Commercial Press (Chung Nam A.A.).
Tai Tung College v. Hin Kun School (Nam Mo A.A.).
September 7.
Indian R.C. v. Congregation Assoc. (Confucian Assoc.).
H.K. University v. Eastern A.A. (Confucian Assoc.).

CHAMPIONS FORCE A DRAW.

SPURS HOME WIN.

Crystal Palace Beat Clapton Orient.

LINCOLN CITY'S BIG WIN.

London, Yesterday.
The following were the results of Home football matches in the League programmes:—

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

Division I.	
Blackburn R.	1. Arsenal
Blackpool	2. Sheffield Un.
Huddersfield T.	1. Aston Villa
Leicester C.	2. Middlesboro'
Wednesday	4. Grimsby T.
West Ham	3. Chelsea

Division II.	
Barnsley	3. Oldham A.
Bradford	2. Stoke C.
Bury	2. Swansea T.
Chesterfield	1. Plymouth A.
Millwall	6. Bradford C.
Port Vale	1. Leeds Un.
Tottenham H.	4. Preston N.E.

Division III. (South).	
Bristol R.	1. Queen's P.R.
Cardiff C.	1. Brighton
Clapton O.	1. Crystal Pal.
Coventry C.	0. Southampton
Luton T.	1. Northampton
Norwich C.	1. Mansfield T.

Division III. (North).	
Halifax T.	0. New Brighton
Lincoln C.	6. Hartlepool
Rotherham	5. Rotherham
Stockport C.	1. Crewe A.
Tranmere R.	0. Doncaster R.
Walsall	1. Gateshead

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

First Division.	
Clyde	4. Dundee Un.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Gols.	F.	A.	Pts.
Celtic	6	5	1	0	23	4	11	11
Rangers	6	5	0	1	19	7	11	10
Kilmarnock ..	6	5	0	1	15	8	10	10
Motherwell ..	6	4	1	1	17	7	9	9
Third Lanark ..	5	4	0	1	11	6	8	8
Hearts	6	4	0	2	9	5	8	8
Aberdeen	5	3	1	1	8	6	7	7
Partick T.	6	3	1	2	10	8	7	7
Cowdenbeath ..	6	2	2	2	11	14	6	6
Clyde	6	3	0	3	9	9	6	6
St. Mirren	6	3	0	3	8	12	6	6
Falkirk	5	1	3	1	9	10	5	5
Hamilton A.	6	2	1	3	15	17	5	5
Dundee	5	2	0	3	10	13	4	4
Dundee Un.	7	2	0	5	12	15	4	4
North	5	1	1	3	9	10	4	4
Morton	6	1	1	3	6	12	3	3
Leith Ath.	5	1	1	3	6	12	3	3
Airdrieonians ..	7	1	1	5	13	20	3	3
Ayr Un.	6	0	1	5	6	17	1	1
Queen's Park ..	6	0	0	6	0	20	0	0

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

Scottish League—First Division.
Hearts v. Airdrieonians
Queen's Park v. Hamilton A.
St. Mirren v. Motherwell

Our Sports Diary.

LOCAL.

HOCKEY—Meeting of Club Representatives at King's Park.
PING-PONG—Thursday—Singles Championship—Li Tat-long v. Mok Hing-wood at Empress Hotel.
Saturday—Singles Championship—Siu Siu-kow v. Wong Hing-wood at Empress Hotel.
LAWYERS—Saturday—First Division—Civil Service C.C. v. Craigengower C.C.; Second Division—H.K. Electric R.C. v. Club de Recreio, Kowloon C.C. v. Tai-koo R.C.; Yacht Club v. Craigengower C.C.

ABROAD.

CRICKET—To-day—Middlesex v. Surrey.
Essex v. Leicestershire.
Sussex v. New Zealand.
Somerset v. Warwickshire.
Gloucestershire v. Northamptonshire.
To-morrow, Thursday and Friday.
Gentlemen of England v. New Zealand at Eastbourne.
Yorkshire v. M.C.C. at Scarborough.
Saturday, Monday and Tuesday.
An England XI v. New Zealand at Folkestone.
Gentlemen v. Players at Scarborough.
To-day to Saturday—U.S. Amateur Championship at Beverly County Club.
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Saturday—Ireland v. Scotland.
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SOUTH AFRICA'S RUGBY TEAM.

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WIVES BARRED.

Capetown, August 5.
We have heard of golf widows, and the Australian cricketers' wives know what it is to be cricket widows. Now South Africa will soon have four Rugby widows. Four of the 29 Springboks who are to sail for England in about three weeks are married, but their wives cannot accompany them. "Nothing can stop the players from sending their wives overseas," says the manager, "but they must not travel with the players."

The Springboks will receive 3s. a day allowance while on tour. The British Rugby team which toured South Africa under R. Cove-Smith received 5s. a day, but the All-Blacks had only 3s. And 3s. has to supply extra for 14st. 6lb. of brawn and muscle—this weight being the average of the pack. One of the scrummagers will be Louw, who stands 6ft. 1in. and turns the scale at 16st. 5lb. Taller even than he and nearly as heavy is F. Berg, who is 6ft. 3 1/2in. and weighs 16st. 3lb. The lightest section of the team are the backs, who average only 11st. 12lb.

The average of the whole 29 players is 24 years, the oldest being J. Tindall, the 31-year-old full-back, and the youngest Zimmerman (three-quarter) and Craven (half-back) who are each 20 years.—Press Association Foreign-Special.

A CRICKET MATCH.

Bench and Bar vs. Police.

TRUNCHEONITES WIN.

A few weeks ago, in Penang, a cricket match was played, and this is how the Pinang Gazette's unofficial "Sporting" representative reported it.

POLICE AFFRAY WITH BENCH AND BAR.

Official Victory.

Numerous legal luminaries appeared before the police at the Patani road ground yesterday charged on various counts.

N. H. P. Whitley pleaded guilty to allowing a cricket ball to rise into the air and to be caught by Reddick. The Umpires sentenced him to return to the pavilion.

Lim Cheng-Ean was accused of being lbw when bowled by Hunt at or about eleven runs. The accused denied the charge, pleading alternatively that the wicket had no legal status. Lim Khye Song was charged with aiding and abetting Hunt to put up too good an average. Sent to the House of Refreshment.

V. J. Mendis was accused of allowing his wickets to stray from the perpendicular. The Umpires found him guilty, and he was banished from the field.

Various other offenders were dealt with but the case against D. Wills was withdrawn.

The police were not to be denied, however, and soon put themselves on the offensive-defensive. Hunt was not only found not guilty but was given 55 runs out of the poor box ex gratia. Roberts failed to answer his subpoena, and was excused but all the others were found guilty with the exception of Rodrigo whose prosecution had cost the enormous sum of 50 runs. In the interests of the State he retired. Whitley and Mendis cross examined the witnesses (we mean the wickets) very severely. The official court records show: That the Bench and Bar got 169 to the Policemen's 247.

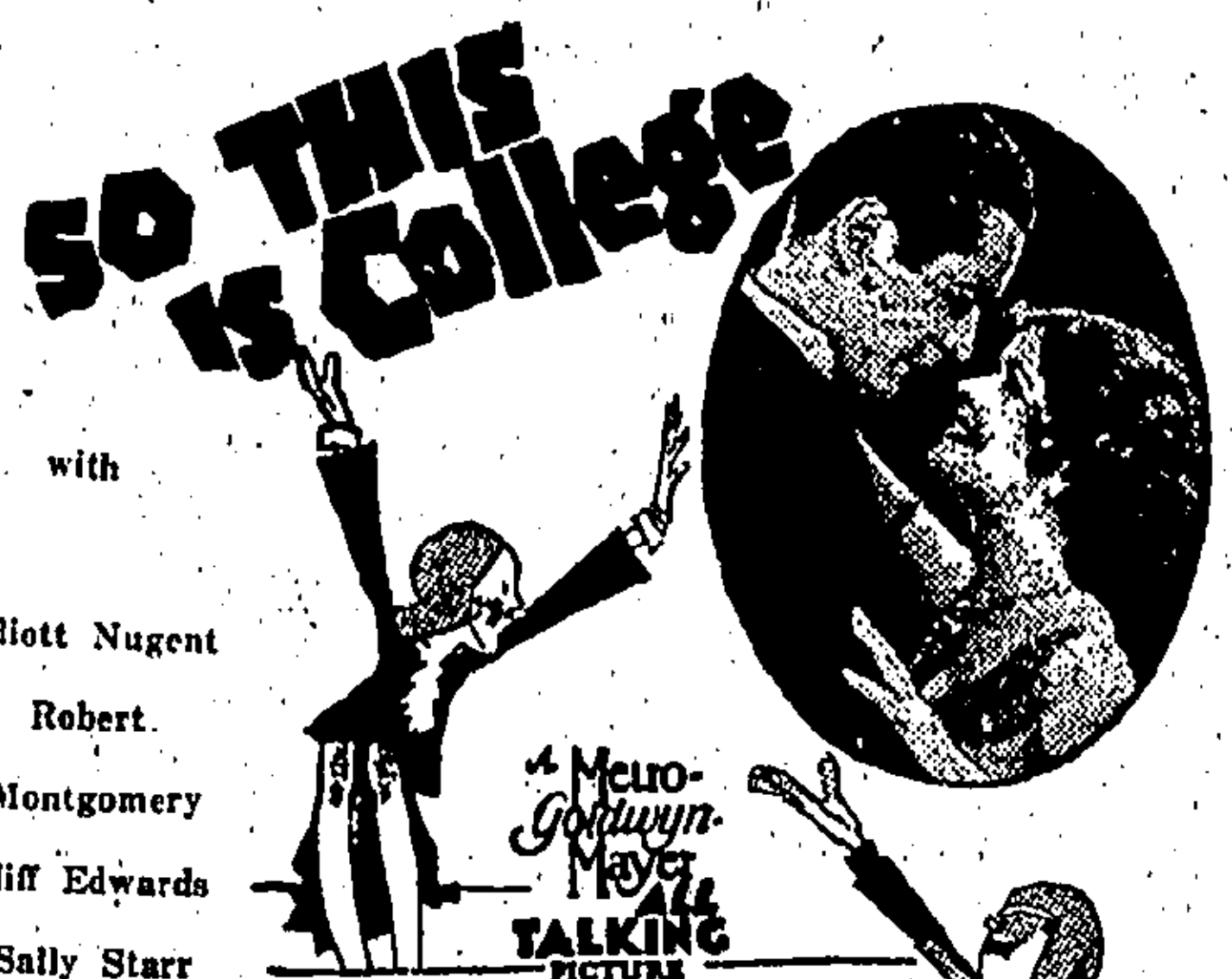
Our players did not lose the challenge round against France. Our Selection Committee lost the match. They ignored all advice, and left out Ian Collins from the doubles team. In other words, they deliberately left out the best doubles player in Great Britain.—Frenk Poxon.

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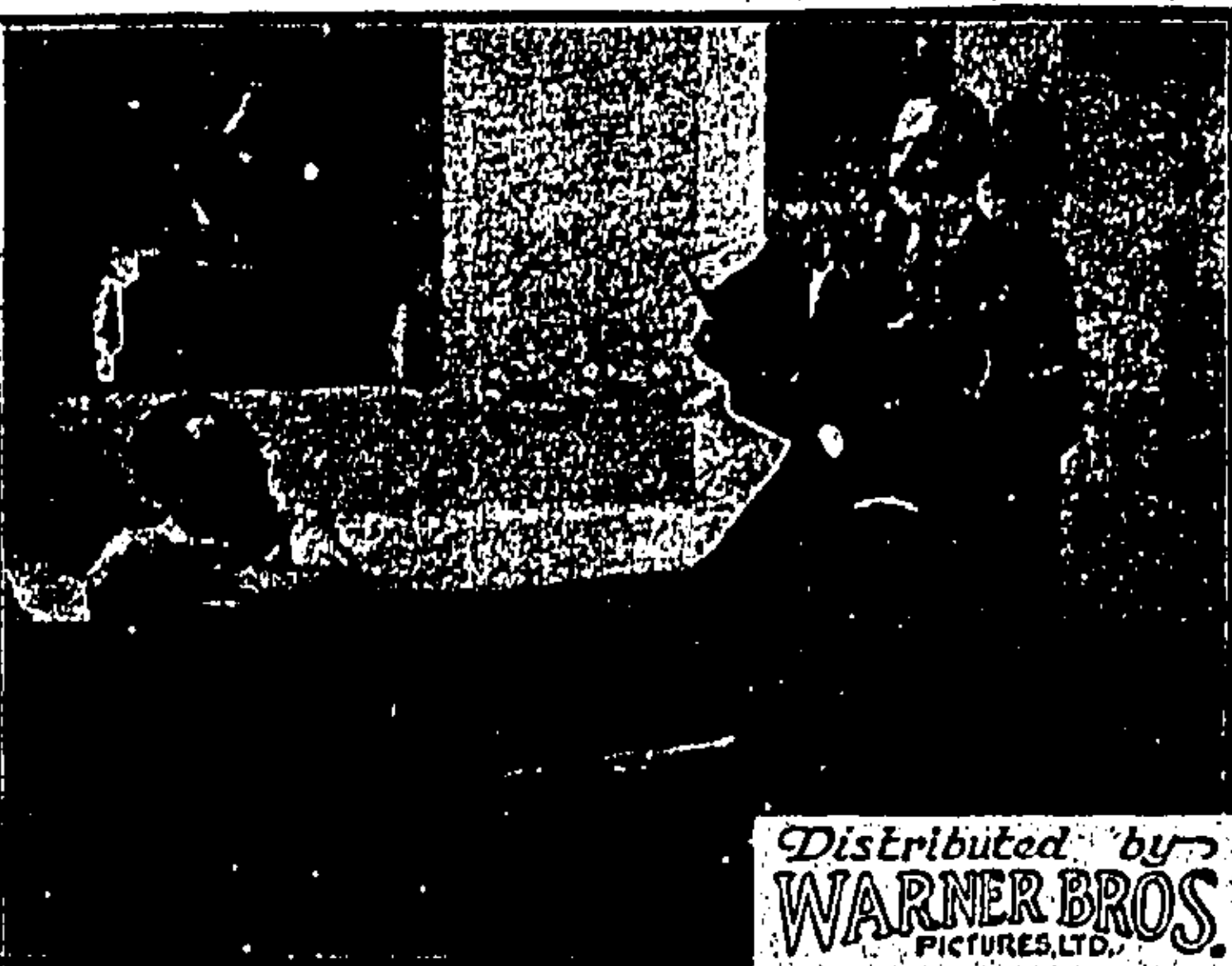
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WOMEN GOLFERS FOR AMERICA

DELICATE PROBLEMS OF HOSPITALITY.

By HARRY VARDON

It is announced that the first official match between teams of women golfers representing Great Britain and the United States will take place next Spring in America. Virtually all the best players of the two countries engaged in a contest at Sunningdale last year, when Britain won, but that was a privately arranged affair, for the reason that the authorities were not then prepared to take charge of the fixture.

The Ladies' Golf Union have acted courageously in embarking on the new enterprise, which is to be perpetuated at intervals like the Walker Cup and Ryder Cup matches for men. When they resolved upon it, they had no definite idea as to how they were going to raise the money for the first expedition. The Americans are so hospitable, and in spite of their Wall Street crashes, they still seem to have such abundant financial resources for golf, that no doubt they would gladly have met all the expenses of such a visit. But that is not quite in accordance with the traditions of international rivalry, nor is it permissible under the regulation which governs the ways of amateurs.

Last Winter, several of the leading British women golfers were invited to take part in a round of tournaments in Florida. They were informed that members of the golf clubs in the districts which it was proposed to visit had expressed a wish to entertain the tourists as guests, who would therefore be relieved of hotel expenses—an item, which, in Florida, has made many a holidaymaker blanch. They would be called upon to pay only their travelling and incidental expenses.

The Ladies' Golf Union decided to ask the Royal and Ancient Club whether such an arrangement could be permitted. The ruling body replied that anybody who agreed to accept private hospitality for the purpose of taking part in tournaments must cease to play as an amateur, and so the small party that went paid their own expenses.

That was excellent, but for almost as long as I can remember, people have been talking and meditating on the subject of hospitality, or at any rate, the exact degree in which it may be offered and accepted with propriety.

Providence knows there has been plenty of it ever since golf began to be a game of universal interest. Well-known amateurs have gone far afield to stay at the houses of friends who sent hearty invitations, dictated I dare swear, by the fact that the clubs to which they belonged were holding open competitions in which the presence of distinguished strangers was held to be vital. Nobody has ever thought anything of this, not so much as a breath of scandal has come of it. And I hope none ever will.

Social amenities have some right to a place in the sun, and if they happen to induce a champion to travel hundreds of miles and appear in public because he is staying at the house of a friend close by, so much the better for everybody concerned. The system might be abused, but I have never heard of anything to its discredit. And, in any case, it is better that it should be abused occasionally than that the harmless pleasures of life should be entirely sacrificed.

The Royal and Ancient Club have been consistent in their attitude, for I remember that, quite a quarter of a century ago, they put their veto on the scheme of a railway company who, desiring to draw attention to a course which they owned, offered free travel passes and hotel accommodation to well-known amateurs who would compete in a tournament on the course. The situation seems to be that an amateur may accept a friend's hospitality, but no other.

For instance, the members of the British Walker Cup team are entertained a good deal when they go to the United States, writes Harry Vardon in the Sports Dispatch. It is inevitable that it should be so. The Americans would not accept a rule which debarred them from inviting visiting British amateurs to stay at their houses as guests, and the visitors would be churlish if they declined.

The tourists have their hotel as well as travelling expenses paid up to the time when they take part in the Walker Cup match, but during the remainder of their stay in America, which is invariably prolonged so that they may compete in the United States amateur championship, they have to draw upon their own resources.

Mitchell's First Trial. Yet, how full it is of incongruities! I remember Abe Mitchell, as an unknown amateur, being taken to Hoylake by his patrons, Horace Hutchinson and S. Winkley Smith to play in the amateur championship. Mitchell had done nothing to infringe his status; he had never been away from his home in Forest Row in Sussex, and his work in the grounds of the hosts who bore him North.

Still, much as people praised his skill and his long driving (he reached the semi-final, if I remember rightly), they talked hard about the fact that he had come as the guest of his employers, and made it virtually impossible for anything of the kind to happen again.

It is desperately difficult to know where, in these matters, the state of being proper begins and ends. Just how difficult it is can be appreciated by one little note which the Royal and Ancient Club, with all their broadmindedness on the subject, have incorporated in the definition of an amateur. This note says, that he may accept two golf balls, free of charge, from manufacturers for testing purposes, and that they "must in every case be clearly marked with the word 'sample'." Two! And how this blessed word "sample" is going to save his soul I do not know.

DON BRADMAN'S FUTURE.

Injury May End His Cricket Career.

FILM ADVANCES.

If it be true that Mr. Don Bradman's injury is going to end his cricket career, then the game will sustain a searer loss than any since that caused by Mr. Frank Foster's motor-cycle accident, writes "Londoner" in the Evening Standard.

Suppose Mr. Foster, still not over 30, had been fit and in form in the years immediately succeeding the war! We should not have been so helpless against the Australians and our younger batsmen would have learnt, in a hard school, what really hostile bowling can be.

I am sceptical of the report that Mr. Bradman has received an invitation to go to Hollywood. His reputation as a batsman would not mean much to American film magnates. But there is this to be said, that his personality can be distinguished in the Pavilion at Lord's when he is holding in the deep by the sight-screen in front of the free seats.

HOW A RECORD WAS BROKEN.

Ladoumague's Secret Instructions.

FROM AN "OLD FRIEND."

Stockholm, August 5. The discovery of a telegram in the hotel where Ladoumague stayed when he came here and broke the 2,000 yards world's record reveals the remarkable sense of tactics of his trainer and the ability of the runner to interpret these tactics on the track in the stress of competition. The telegram—translated—reads—

If you wish to beat the world's record for 2,000 yards take the advice of your old friend Poulenard and do the 1,500 metres in 4min. 2sec. and you will then make a time of 4min. 52sec.

Ladoumague took the advice of his "old friend" Poulenard. He passed the 1,500 metres in exactly 4min. 2sec. and broke the tape at 2,000 yards in 4min. 52sec. to make a new world's record. Press Association Foreign Special.

SPORTS LINER FOR THE TESTS.

Plan for 500 Cricket Enthusiasts.

M.C.C. APPROVE.

Plans are being considered in London to charter a liner to carry 500 British sportsmen to Australia, at a special fare, to witness the fight for the cricket ashes between England and Australia next year. The cricket is held out as the chief attraction of the tour, but before the Tests start, the visitors would be given the opportunity of seeing one of the greatest horse races in the world—the Melbourne Cup.

They would also be shown the Australian hinterland, the great sheep and cattle "stations," and, in addition to watching the principal sporting events of the Australian summer, be able to play cricket, golf, tennis, and go surfing, bathing, shooting and fishing in between the Tests.

M.C.C. Members Approve. I understand that prominent members of the M.C.C. have been approached unofficially on the proposal, and that they have given it their blessing, writes a special correspondent to the Evening Standard.

If the scheme is carried out, special arrangements to accommodate the sportsmen would be made at the Test matches. Those interested in the pastoral and agricultural industries would be able to see land suitable for themselves or their sons.

The scheme has already been discussed in Australia, where one comment reads:

"If the project is accomplished, and 500 Britons imbued with sporting instinct, enterprise in business, and the spirit of adventure, come to Australia, they will enjoy themselves perhaps far beyond anticipations."

ORGY OF SABRE SLASHING.

23 Wounded Dragged From Arena.

DELIGHT CAUSES DUELS.

Vienna, August 6. Forty-six Vienna University students hacked at one another with sabres until twenty-three were so hurt about and wounded that they could no longer stand upright, and were dragged, blood-drenched, from the arena.

The occasion was the somewhat inappropriate one of the conferring upon Monsignor Seipel, the former "prelate-premier" of Austria, of an Honorary degree at Vienna University. The members of all the Nationalist student associations at the university were so delighted that they felt impelled to challenge all members of the Nationalist students' musical association called "Gibellines" to duels.

Duelling Half-Naked. The contests were fought under the most severe conditions; sabres as weapons, bodies naked to the waist, and protection only for the eyes and throat. It was agreed that the duels, the honour of fighting which was decided by drawing lots, should continue until one or the other was so injured as to be unable to continue.

The twenty-three duels were fought in five sections. The twenty-three victims were handed over to the doctor. The "Morgen," which records the occurrence, asks angrily why, in spite of the open defiance of the "paper" law against duelling, the police take no action. Had the affair taken place in a working-class quarter, says the paper, it would have been qualified as a "horrible stabbing affray."

TOMMY ARMOUR BOWS TO DEFEAT.

SCHOOLBOY'S FEAT.

Grand Rapids (Michigan).

August 6. Tommy Armour, winner of this year's British "Open" and the United States "Professional" Golf Championships, yesterday suffered defeat at the hands of an 18-year-old schoolboy, Charles Kocis, who won the play-off. In the final of the Michigan open golf championship with a card of 73 to Armour's 74. —Reuter.

L.B.A. HOLD MEETING.

BOWLS SELECTORS APPOINTED.

Three Different Teams To Be Played.

AITKENHEAD SHIELD.

A meeting of the committee of the Lawn Bowls Association was held yesterday evening to decide upon the arrangements for the Interport matches against Shanghai, Mr. A. O. Brown, the President, took the chair.

The Shanghai team, it was announced, would arrive in Hong Kong at the beginning of October. On the suggestion of the chairman it was decided that the third Interport match should be played irrespective of whether one port won the first two. It was decided that the first game would be played on the Kowloon Bowling Green Club's green, the second on the Talkoo R.C. green and the third on the Club de Regatta green.

Messrs. A. Hyde-Lay, L. C. R. Souza and C. J. Tacchi, with the President and Vice-President (ex-officio) were appointed to select the three teams to represent Hong Kong as well as two reserves for each rink. A suggestion was made to the Committee that the various teams should be chosen during the next week to give them time for practice together. Three entirely different teams will oppose the Shanghai players, and representatives of Clubs were asked to assist

the Selection Committee by submitting the names of four players best fitted for the respective positions.

The entertainment of the visitors has been entrusted to Messrs. W. Ward, J. C. Brown, J. Luing, and A. H. Oswald, who will have charge of the arrangements whilst the visitors are in the Colony as well as arranging the Interport dinner. Mr. R. Keown very kindly offered to provide a musical programme on the night of the dinner.

In deciding on the programme of matches to be arranged, the Chairman mentioned that last time the fixtures were too numerous and the Shanghai players made too strenuous a tour. He suggested that in addition to the three Interport games the Shanghai visitors be asked to meet a team representing Kowloon, one representing Hong Kong and a third to be selected from the Second Division Club, players chosen for Interport matches to be excluded in each instance. If, on the other hand, Shanghai so desired, additional games could be quite easily arranged on their arrival. The suggestion was accepted and the match with Kowloon was fixed for the Kowloon Cricket Club green, that against Hong Kong to be played on the Craigengower green and the Second Division game to take place at North Point on the Hong Kong Electric R.C. green.

The annual match for the Aitkenhead Shield, between six rinks representing Hong Kong and Kowloon, was fixed to be played on Saturday, September 20, on the Craigengower C.C. green.

THE FAIR SEX IN SPORT.

How Women Compare With Men.

TWO TENNIS STARS.

In an article appearing in the August Windsor, Captain F. A. M. Webster writes:—A brief examination of the comparative merits of male and female participants in sport will certainly be of interest.

In the first place, Miss M. E. Foster, by winning the King's Prize at Bilsley in 1930, when she defeated ninety-nine picked marksmen of the British Empire, has proved that a woman may be as good as a man at rifle shooting. In the same year Miss Winifred Brown won the King's Cup air race. Other aviators who have achieved enviable distinction are Lady Bailey, Lady Heath, and the Hon. Mrs. Victor Bruce; while it was, perhaps, no more than the luck of the weather that prevented Miss Amy Johnson from superseding all previous records upon her solo flight to Australia.

On the other hand, the difference at golf between the lengths driven by Miss Joyce Wethered and Cyril Tolley is no less than 20 yards. At lawn tennis the accepted sex handicaps is 30 points a game.

It has been held that Tilden could have beaten Mlle. Lenglen, giving her 15 and owing 30; but he could not concede this to Helen Wills, owing to her speed.

Recent experiments in hundred yards' running, undertaken with the Canadians, Percy Williams and Myrtle Cook, probably the fastest sprinters in the world of their respective sexes, have proved that at the beginning of a short speed-race a woman's "lower gear" makes up for lack of actual power, whereas a man's greater strength enables him to establish a ratio of superiority as the distance increases, in spite of the fact that his power of acceleration does not appear so good as that of his girl opponent.

In actual fact, Williams attained his maximum speed of just under 25 miles an hour when he passed the 47 yards mark in 5.4 secs., whereas Miss Cook touched the peak of her pace some ten or twelve yards earlier, when she passed the 35 yards mark in 5.2 secs., travelling at nearly 19½ miles an hour. It is interesting to note, also, that the girl continued running at top pressure for 15 yards, whereas the man's pace began to fall away 18 yards after he had reached his maximum.

Swimming, jumping, hurdling, and many other forms of athletics, are covered by Captain Webster's survey.

I wish there were more goodwill in football.—Percy M. Williams.

TONY CANZONERI TEMPTED.

Offer of Further £1,000 to Visit London.

BERG'S OPPORTUNITY?

Paris, August 6. Mr. Jeff Dickson has stated that he has raised his offer a further £1,000, making it £12,000, to Tony Canzoneri to come to London to fight Kid Berg within the next few weeks.

"I don't know whether this will fetch him or not," Mr. Dickson said, "but I hope so." "Yesterday I had a twelve-minute talk on the Atlantic telephone with Canzoneri's manager, and he is considering my offer. I expect to have a definite reply some time to-day."

"If the match is arranged I shall put it on at the White City." Mr. Dickson is confident that Berg would prefer to fight Canzoneri for the light-weight championship in London.

"I am certain it would be a good fight," he said. "Berg was not in his best form when Canzoneri beat him in their match for the light-weight championship. When they met with no championship at stake Berg was easily the better man."

M.C.C. TOUR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

£3,000 CLEARED.

Capetown, August 5. The tour of the M.C.C. team under A. P. F. Chapman yielded a total profit of £3,104, made up of £371 on the ordinary matches and £2,733 on the Tests, although the third Test at Durban was washed out by rain.

The total cost of the tour was £9,853, compared with £3,467 for the tour of Captain Stansforth's team, the increase being due to larger allowances made to amateurs. The South African Cricket Association receives only £374 as its share and each of the South African affiliated association receive £161.—Press Association Foreign Special.

LEGLESS SWIMMER.

Honolulu, July 25. Charles Zimny, Long Beach, Cal., a legless professional swimmer, in attempting to break Mrs. Myrtle Huddleston's 88 hour swimming record, completed 80 hours at 9 a.m. to-day.

Zimny hoped to continue paddling another 40 hours in the War Memorial Pool.—Associated Press.

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WHITEAWAYS.

The China Mail

Hong Kong, Tuesday, Sept. 1, 1931.

Hello Canton!

Emblematic of the lethargic mentality of the community during the hot weather is the almost stoic indifference toward the opening of the telephone from Hong Kong to Canton to-day. Preliminary announcements have been remarkably few and remarkably modest. Of public comment there has practically been none. Of tributes to the private and Government enterprise that has made possible a telephone talk between this Colony and Canton there has been an entire lack up to the hour of the official opening to-day. Commercial circles—those most affected by the new trunk telephone—have observed a mysterious silence in public print at any rate. All of which is passing strange, looking to the urgent need to consolidate and expand the trade between the two great centres in the South-West of China. In British Malaya there has been a clamour for nearly three decades to our own knowledge for telephone communication between Singapore in the South and Penang in the North and the intermediate capitals of the respective Federated Malay States. Only now is that comprehensive scheme coming to fruition, but each development has created almost as much public stir as was caused in London by the first telephone message thence to New York.

It may be that the unhappy events of the past six years affecting commercial intercourse between Hong Kong and Canton have unconsciously blurred the public vision, relegating to the opening of the trunk line to-day to the level of mediocrity instead of the epic event that it actually is, looking to the immense bearing that it must inevitably exercise upon the commerce of Hong Kong and Canton. Friendship each interdependent on the other for their prosperity. And such friendship cannot but develop

into other channels—social and sporting—creating a couple of sisterly cities even though under different flags. Thus will the true spirit of international concord be brought immeasurably nearer to complete realisation, breaking down barriers of mistrust and misunderstanding and raising a bulwark of amity and good will of more intrinsic value than reams of diplomatic messages and yards of red tape.

To all, both in Hong Kong and Canton, who have undertaken the spade work in connection with the opening to-day of the Hong Kong-Canton telephone we offer our heartiest congratulations, feeling confident that their enterprise will be well rewarded in more than the commercial and financial sense.

Mail Commentary.

H.K. Dog-Owners—Nota Bene.

The responsibilities of dog-owners are continually increasing in the conditions of modern life. Being a dog-owner is not all beer and skittles. Some time ago a Paris business man was motoring near Dijon when a sheep-dog dashed suddenly into the roadway. In swerving to avoid running down the animal, the motorist collided with a tree, and received very serious injuries. He was awarded damages against the owner of the dog, and on appeal this decision was upheld by the Court of Appeal. This case is brought to mind and mentioned because of a Kowloon motor-cyclist's complaint, of about a month ago, concerning a dog which had evolved from a pet into a pest. The principle involved is important, alike to motorists and dog-owners.

English Technical Schools.

Technical schools we are told, are one of the most cheerful and vigorous parts of the English educational system. Pupils come because of ambition, and remain to study because of interest. These technical schools are producing men of the grade of workman who are equal to any in the world, but they are not producing the same number of men and women for the higher positions as in countries like Germany. The main reason for this is that the system of secondary education has only developed to a considerable extent fairly lately in England, whereas Germany has had such a system for fifty years.

No Stage Plays on Sunday.

An amendment for the inclusion of stage plays in the Sunday Performances (Regulation) Bill, re-

cently introduced into Parliament, was defeated. But Sir Alfred Butt, who moved the amendment, is now considering the possibility of the introduction of a Sunday Theatrical Performances Bill.

"My opinion is," says Sir Alfred, "that a very large number of actors and actresses, particularly the less highly paid artists, are anxious to get an extra day's work on Sunday with extra pay; but it is now a matter entirely for them to recognise and to demand their right."

"If this demand is unanimous I believe that sooner or later Parliament will have to deal with the matter."

News in Brief.

Sincere's reported at 2 p.m. (that their turnover to-day (ladies' day) from 8 a.m. to noon amounted to four and a half times more than for the same period yesterday.

After four blank days due to bad weather the British Schneider Trophy Team was able to resume practice to-day (Monday) although conditions were by no means ideal, says a British Wireless message.

The Hon. Secretary of the M.C.L. asks us to call attention of members and friends to the fact that the sale of tickets for the swimming gala on September 8 will close on Saturday next. No tickets will be sold at the gate. Early application for tickets should be made to the branch secretaries.

LIGHTS THAT FAILED.

War Prisoners' Signals To Submarine.

The B.B.C. announcement that a German naval officer who was once a prisoner of war in Britain will describe his attempted escape by submarine recalls the exclusive account of this affair which The Daily Telegraph published nearly two years ago.

The officer is Cmdr. Hermann Tholens, who, with a naval colleague and an army officer, tried to escape from the war prisoners' camp at Dyfryn Aled, North Wales, in August, 1915. They had previously established secret communication with the German Admiralty by means which Cmdr. Tholens now promises to disclose.

A German submarine U 38 was ordered to lie off the western side of the Great Orme Head, Llandudno, on three successive nights, August 15, 16, and 17, to be ready to take on board the three officers who hoped to escape.

All went well up to a point. Cmdr. Tholens and his two companions broke out of the camp on the night of August 13, and after tramping forty miles, reached the sea coast in safety. That night they sought in vain for a path down the steep cliff. The following night they did reach the beach, and made flash-lamp signals, but saw no sign of the submarine. On the third night they gave up hope, and after a futile attempt to reach London, were arrested.

Yet for two of these nights the U 38 had been lying only 500 yards away from the fugitives, who were standing on a beach divided from the submarine's lurking place by a headland, which hid them from their would-be rescuers and vice-versa.

This is believed to have been the one and only attempt of German war captives to make their escape by submarine.

GREAT TEMPLE FOR INDIA.

Spot Where Buddha Preached.

On the spot where, about 2,500 years ago, Gautama Buddha preached his religion to his first five disciples, a great Buddhist temple is to be publicly opened at the end of this year. The place is Saranath, in the United Provinces, India.

Forty years ago jungle covered the site. The temple will be known as the Mulagandhakuti Vihara, and will have a main tower 110 feet high. The Viceroy has been requested to perform the opening ceremony, and Buddhists from all over the world are expected to attend.

The architecture of the temple conforms to the original Buddhist style. The only image of Buddha, in the preaching attitude, which is to be placed in the shrine is being made at the Jaipur School of Art after the model of the image in the Saranath Museum.

AN ENGLISHMAN'S RUSSIAN WIFE.

Detention by Soviet.

In the House of Commons Sir George Bowyer (C. Buckingham) raised the question of the refusal of the Soviet Government to allow Mrs. Walford to join her husband, Mr. P. R. Stewart Walford, in England.

Mrs. Walford, he said, was a Russian lady who married Mr. Walford in Odessa in February last. Mr. Walford had appealed to the Soviet Government to allow Mrs. Walford to leave Russia. He had received the aid of the British Ambassador in Moscow. When that proved unavailing he came to London on May 28 and made his case known to the Foreign Office. He was told three other people were in a similar position. He (Sir George Bowyer) had asked a question about the matter in the House recently and received an unapologetic reply. The British Government seemed to show an almost cringing subservience to the Russians.

Mr. Dalton (Under-Secretary, Foreign Office) replied that Mr. Walford, like other Britons recently in Russia, had elected to marry a Russian lady. She was now a British woman by reason of having married a Briton, but she had a dual nationality. She also remained a Russian, and the Soviet Government had laid down certain regulations under which no person who was a Soviet citizen could leave the Union unless released from Soviet citizenship.

The British Government had been able to secure the release of five other ladies from Soviet citizenship. There was considerable delay in the case of Mrs. Walford, and they had not yet been successful. When her case was brought up, it was mentioned to the Soviet Ambassador in London, and instructions were given to the British Ambassador in Moscow to take the matter up.

A telegram had been received that day from the British Ambassador saying that he was dealing with the case. They could not get these things settled as quickly as they would like, but they did not think Mrs. Walford's case would be outstanding much longer. He gave an assurance that everything that could possibly be done was being done to secure her release, but he said he would also like to have an assurance from the other side that if her release was accomplished nothing would be done to prevent her landing.

Sir Thomas Inskip (C. Farnham): The hon. gentleman knows very well that there is no power to keep her out if she is a British citizen.

ESTATE OF £248,000.

Debts Forgiven in Will.

A clause forgiving any debts due to him not exceeding £250 and empowering his executors to forgive any other debts as they may think fit, is included in the will of Mr. James Edmondson, of Woodbury, West Overcliff Drive, Bournemouth, who left estate in his own disposition valued at £248,170 (net personality £227,946).

Mr. Edmondson, who is the father of Major A. J. Edmondson, M.P. for Banbury, left a large number of bequests to charities and Church work.

NEW RUGBY HEAD.

Rugby School Summer vacation has begun. This term there are several changes in the staff to record, the chief one being the retirement of Mr. W. V. Vaughan, after ten years as headmaster. His successor is Mr. P. H. B. Lyon, Rector of Edinburgh Academy.

Mr. A. Ker, a classical master, is returning to Brasenose College, Oxford, as a Fellow, and Mr. J. R. Royster has obtained an appointment at Glenalmond.

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A FILM COMPLAINT.

[To the Editor of "China Mail"]

Sir,—Kindly grant me a little of your valued space for a complaint which I think will meet with the approval of many film goers. On page 15 of the *Sunday Herald* (August 30) appeared the following in the Queen's Theatre page:

"Can she dive? And how! Lella Hyams proves her prowess not only as an actress but in aquatic sports in her latest screen role. She and the long-legged Charlotte Greenwood do plain and fancy diving in the Caliente swimming pool scenes of 'Stepping Out.' Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's comedy-romance of Hollywood and Caliente, which will open to-day at the Queen's Theatre."

After reading the above paragraph, I had visions of seeing something worth while. But to the disappointment of myself and others all that was shown was Lella Hyams lying on a diving board at the swimming pool at Caliente. Not a single dive, fancy or otherwise, was shown. Is that fair treatment? This public are asked to pay for their amusement. Then why can't they get the full value of their money in the entertainment? No statement could be plainer than "She and the long-legged Charlotte Greenwood do plain and fancy diving."

Were the scenes too "shocking" for the local public, that they just had to be cut? And yet, censors let pass some of the most suggestive bed-room scenes without question. Why?

This sort of thing has happened more than once, and I hope that in future what the public read in the advertisement and propaganda they will see, without fail, when the film is actually screened.

Yours, etc.

AQUATICS.

Hong Kong, September 1.

LONDON MAIL THEFT.

Man Charged After Five Years.

A London mail-bag robbery nearly five years old, when a mail-bag was driven away from outside Holborn post office while the driver was inside the office and afterwards was found opened with three registered letters mail-bags missing, was recalled at Wimbledon Police Court recently.

William Lane, otherwise John Hamilton (38), bookmaker, of Cautley-avenue, Southside, Clapham Common, was charged on a warrant granted by the Clerkenwell magistrates on September 2, 1923, with "having on September 25, 1926, at the Parish of Holborn, feloniously stolen three mail-bags, the property of the Postmaster-General."

Det-Sergeant R. Greenberg said that when he saw Lane at Wimbledon Police Station he told him he had good reason to believe he was John Emmanuel Hutt, also known as John Hamilton, who was at one time employed by a firm as a motor-driver. Lane remarked: "I don't know Hutt. I have never heard of Hamilton."

Later Lane was put up for identification with thirteen other men, and he was identified as having been employed by that firm. When the warrant was read over to him he said: "That is a long time ago."

Lane was remanded for a week, bail being refused.

Ten Years Ago.

[From the "China Mail" of September 1, 1921.]

To-day's dollar is worth 2/8½.

The following forthcoming marriages are announced:—Mr. Justice J. R. Wood and Miss Gladys Frances Kember, of No. 153, The Peak; Mr. L. V. Xavier, of No. 11 Ashley Road, Kowloon, to Miss Alzira Maria Alvares, of No. 20 Ashley Road; Mr. A. A. d'Azevedo, of No. 2 Bellios Terrace, Robinson Road, and Miss Luella Maria da Luz, of No. 2, Peace Avenue, Hominin.

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It has also, inevitably, in the year of the fiftieth anniversary of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, come as a vivid reminder of the long and inspiring record of achievements which have resulted in the recognition of that Company's progress as synonymous with the growth of the Dominion. This fact, with all its vital implications to Canada as a member of the British Commonwealth of Nations, is responsible for the romance and colour that characterize the impressive reputation of the world's greatest travel system.

It was a red-letter day in British shipping history when on June 11 of last year His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales launched the new Empress of Britain. On that occasion His Royal Highness said: "The construction and launching of the Empress of Britain is an event of such importance in British shipping and Empire shipbuilding that I should have thought it all wrong not to have taken part in to-day's ceremony, not only as Master of the Merchant Navy, but because I have very closely at heart many things that concern the welfare of the Dominion of Canada. This vessel can be considered in construction as the last word in shipbuilding and as regards her appointments she will have no rival. . . . There is romance in the story of the Canadian Pacific Railway, but it is a story so familiar to you all that I will not dwell on it at any length. But we can certainly look backwards to-day to those pioneer Empire builders who extended the line of steel, driving their way through from ocean to ocean, and the driving of the last spike by which the Confederation of the Dominion became a living reality, and such men as Strathcona, Mount Stephen, Shuggess and Van Horne cannot be far from our thoughts in honouring this launching to-day. The Company's growth is probably unsurpassed in the annals of history and its reputation to-day is world-wide. . . .

On May 27, 1931, the new Empress of Britain started on her maiden voyage from Southampton. Again, His Royal Highness paid the ship a signal honour by flying to Southampton to bid her "God speed." On June 1 the 42,000-ton liner docked at Wolfe's Cove, Quebec City, having established several speed records for the St. Lawrence route. She completed the run from Southampton via Cherbourg in five days, 13 hours and 25 minutes. Her passage from Cherbourg to Father Point was made in four days, 19 hours and 20 minutes, while her land to land crossing from Bishop Rock to Cape Race was accomplished in the remarkable time of three days, six hours and 25 minutes. On June 22, the ship again arrived at Quebec on her second westbound crossing, this time making the fastest trans-Atlantic crossing ever recorded by the mercantile marine of any country. The land to land crossing on this voyage was made in three days, five hours, 15 minutes; the mails were landed at Father Point in four days, 12 hours, 30 minutes; and the ship docked in four days, 22 hours, 45 minutes.

Historic Gathering. On the day following the arrival of the liner at Quebec on her maiden voyage, one of those inspiring historic gatherings took place when outstanding leaders in all spheres of the Dominion's activities, as well as distinguished representatives of other countries, assembled on the ship to commemorate the latest achievement of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company.

Headed by His Excellency the Governor-General of Canada, the Lieutenant-Governors of three provinces, the Prime Minister of the Province of Quebec, a notable list of speakers reviewed the Dominion's history and its hopes for the future. Responding to a toast proposed by Mr. E. W. Beatty, K.C., Chairman and President of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, recalled that it was almost a quarter of a century since the Canadian Pacific had entered into transportation service on the North Atlantic, and more than 40 years since it initiated similar service on the Pacific. From these moderate beginnings it had built a fleet, the aggregate tonnage of which in all services exceeded 450,000 tons, and in which the third class accommodation is as good or better than the first class cabin accommodation of earlier days. The present exceptional occasion was evidence of the influence of the Dominion's building of ocean transportation services under the aegis of a Canadian company, and another and very forward step in the development of the Dominion.

man and President of the Canadian Pacific Company, His Excellency the Governor-General said that he felt not only a sense of personal gratification in having an opportunity to see the new and beautiful ship, but it was appropriate he should be in Quebec to welcome the Empress of Britain. He was glad, by virtue of his office, that he could add one more link to the Empress of Britain's association with the Crown. "And I think this occasion should not pass," said His Excellency, "without the sending of a message to H.R.H. the Prince of Wales."

The liner, His Excellency felt, exemplified the vision that has characterized the Canadian Pacific since its inception. "May good luck wait upon her from coast to coast," he said, "and may she long be a source of pride and gratification both to those islands that gave her birth and this great continent."

In the Empress of Britain, said the Prime Minister of Canada, was to be found the embodiment of Mr. Beatty's faith in Canada, his confidence in the future of the country and his hopes for her continued prosperity. It was an enterprise born in Canada, and like the Canadian Pacific Railway Company itself, it would become known all over the world as a monument of the genius industry of the British race.

Referring to world-wide economic conditions, the Prime Minister remarked that in his opinion no part of the world was meeting its problems with more courage and determination than Canada. This was a time when the citizens of the Dominion could well afford to look back at the stirring courage and fixed determination of those who had built up the great Dominion. Whether it was in the days of Cartier and Champlain, Wolfe and Montcalm, or during the struggles that finally led to Confederation, the men and women of Canada had been inspired with a confidence in the future of their country that could not be shaken. It would be necessary always to be resolute, to look ahead with inspired confidence towards the future progress and prosperity of the country.

Canada's Name and Fame. Of the Empress of Britain, the Hon. Ernest Lapointe said that it marked an important step in the building up of a country which could hold its own in trade with the rest of the world. As to the Canadian Pacific he could think of no group of men who had been more bound up with the growth of the Dominion in the last 50 years. Their indomitable courage, breadth of vision, untiring energy and their great faith in Canada had saved British Columbia for the British, had developed the agricultural lands of the West, had joined one end of Canada to the other, and had educated the citizens of this country in the belief that they could proudly take their place in trade with the rest of the world.

The Company, he considered, was representative of Canada's best business efforts and her fleet carried Canada's name and fame to all parts of the world, advertising Canadian genius, Canadian enterprise and Canadian brains. The crowning achievement of the present Chairman and President of the Company, he felt that the ship was in every respect worthy of the pride that had been placed in it, and that it would help Canada to do business with the rest of the world.

Quebec, said the Honourable L. A. Taschereau, the Premier of the Province, was very proud to be the scene of this event which marked an important new link between Canada and the Mother Country. Replying to a toast proposed by Sir Arthur Currie, Principal of McGill University, who said that it was particularly fitting that Quebec, which had witnessed so many events of importance in the history of the Dominion, should be the scene of the present ceremony, the Premier paid tribute to the inspiration and foresight that had culminated in the entry into service of the Empress of Britain.

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LEPROSY IN THE COLONY.

Queries for Legislative Council.

GOVERNMENT'S POLICY.

The Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, pursuant to notice, will ask the following questions at the meeting of the Legislative Council, on Thursday:

1. What is the Government's policy in connection with persons suffering from leprosy in this Colony in respect of persons:
 - (a) entitled to British nationality and
 - (b) those not so entitled?
2. Has the Government any facilities for the treatment of leprosy in this Colony and/or outside the Colony?
3. Does the Government pay the cost of transporting lepers out of the Colony?
4. Does the Government pay for or otherwise arrange for the maintenance in leper asylums of such lepers as may be transported out of the Colony?
5. Has the Government any data to show the number of lepers in the Colony in the course of this year?
6. Will the Government inform this Honourable Council to what extent (if any) the powers and directions contained in Ordinance No. 24 of 1910 has been exercised and enforced in the Colony?

T. P. O'CONNOR MEMORIAL.

The executors of the late Mr. T. P. O'Connor state that the final design for the memorial for the grave, executed by Mr. Richard Goulden, is now completed. The design is being submitted to the intimate associates of the late Mr. O'Connor for their approval.

Completion of the great St. Lawrence route. The new vessel, was not only the biggest ship built in Great Britain since the war, but was easily the most magnificent ever put into service between a British and a Canadian port. The Empress of Britain had been a fortunate vessel in that she was sponsored and christened by His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, concluding her trials in an eminently satisfactory manner and ending a maiden voyage which was conspicuous for its comfort and for a highly gratifying engine performance. Probably the most widely advertised liner built for many years, up to the present she had realized the highest expectations.

Symbol of Canada's Growth. In view of the fact that in December the Empress of Britain will be the largest liner to make a round-the-world cruise, an idea of the importance to Canada of the appearance of the ship in different ports may be gathered from some recent remarks of the Canadian Minister to Japan when speaking of the Canadian Pacific service between Canada and the Orient. "Canada's activities and interest in the Far East are certainly becoming greater and even more diversified," said the Minister. "The Canadian Pacific Railway is rendering Canada a great service in the Orient. The prestige of that great Canadian enterprise is becoming greater every day. Perhaps Canadians do not realize the wonderful effect it had on our trade and prestige to have it said that Canadian ships were the finest and fastest on the Pacific, and to have the magnificent 'White Empresses' call at the great ports of Yokohama, Kobe, Shanghai and Hong Kong. In their voyages those great vessels are seen by hundreds of thousands, and this creates most favourable comment as regards Canadian enterprise and ability, to say nothing of being one of our greatest, if not our greatest, means of advertising Canada in the Orient."

Thus it is that the new Empress of Britain is a new and magnificent symbol — reminiscent of the achievements of builders of Canada in the past, a mighty token of the confidence and vision of her leaders in the present, a promise of the ever-growing influence of the Dominion among countries of the world in the years to come. Agricultural and industrial progress in Canada.

HONG KONG AND CANTON.

(Continued from Page 1.)

A Souvenir.

The Hon. Mr. Mackenzie then asked H.E. the Governor to accept a souvenir of the occasion, and the Governor, in accepting the gift, said:—

"I had intended to confine myself this morning merely to the message I have just sent through to Canton, but I must thank you for this handsome present. "It has been a great pleasure for me to come here to inaugurate this new system. The last time upon which I had to do a similar performance to this was in connection with a new system called wired telegraph, between Kuala Lumpur and Ipoh. It was, I believe, a method of sending calls over the telegraph wires. There had been a scheme put forward for a system of underground telephones, which from an initial estimate of six million dollars, went up to thirteen millions. The system eventually used (wired wireless), although it did not allow so many people to speak, cost only a trifle of that amount."

Referring to the wonders of telephony, the Governor continued:—"My wife only a few months ago managed to speak with England from a ship in the harbour. Although she could not get on to her mother's house, she heard the operator quite clearly."

Communication with China. "I should like to say one thing more, and that is that one cannot help speaking to Canton without expressing the wish that this coupling up with them could have been synchronised with the coupling up with the other parts of China. It would have been a very fine thing if it could have been so."

Sir William concluded by expressing the hope that telephonic communication with other parts of China would become an established fact before very long. He thanked the directors for their gift, and congratulated them very heartily upon the carrying out, in such an expeditious manner, of such a useful and wonderful piece of work. (Applause.)

The guests then attended a demonstration of the new telephoto system installed by the Telephone Company, where they witnessed the sending and receiving of photographs between Hong Kong and Canton.

A Creditable Performance. The line to be worked by the China Electric Company, is 116 miles in length and has cost £120,000 to establish. Of this mileage 87 is in Chinese territory. Work was started on it at the end of January 1931 and actually completed on August 4, 1931. That is a very creditable performance for all concerned.

Mr. Burnett, of the International Telegraph and Telephone Company, has been in charge of the work. He has had associated with him Mr. Graham, Mr. Barkwith and Mr. Westerhout, all of the Standard Telephone and Cables Company.

Labour Force. Under them they have had a labour force of 150 Chinese. The labourers had to be trained before starting out on work. They had never seen or heard of a telephone cable before. But they were quick learners and, with the capable tuition they received, attained a stage of very reasonable proficiency in two or three weeks. The training was continued with productive work.

Throughout the six months taken to lay the cable no trouble was experienced with the labour force. This is a tribute to the fact which must have been displayed by the gentlemen in charge of operations.

Work in Progress. Starting from Canton a mile of cable was laid per day. That represented 20 per cent. of the completed job. Trenches had to be dug as they went along and there was, of course, more work after the cable was in the ground. Each section is 1½ miles in length and is made up of six lengths. Each of these lengths had to be tested for various electrical quantities and characteristics before it was joined up. These tests had to be made under all sorts of conditions. It was generally hard work and was made more difficult by inclement weather conditions.

The Route. As far as possible the cable has been carried along the bottom of the estuary embankments but circumstances did not always permit of this being done. Deviations had to be made to allow for the geographical conditions of the country through which the cable was carried over hills, through valleys and through rivers.

Through Rivers.

Three large rivers had to be negotiated. One of them was 1,000 yards wide. That is the river at Shek-lung. At these points locally engaged sampans were employed and the labour force augmented. The cable at river points is of a special type made to withstand possibility of damage from the punt poles of sampans. It is heavily armoured steel wire and will withstand considerable ill usage. It is very necessary that this should be so, because a fault at any of these points will dislocate the entire service.

Tai-po Road. The boundary or border was passed about the middle of June, and thereafter the cable was carried, for the greater part of the remainder of the way, along the Tai-po Road.

The greatest height at which the cable has been laid is about 400 feet above sea level.

The line, we are informed, will be capable of dealing with 30 simultaneous calls. It is on the same general principles as the line recently laid connecting the G.P.O. in London with Liverpool.

Every member of the European staff has had very considerable experience in this kind of specialised work in various parts of the world, and they have done their utmost to ensure a perfect service.

First Public Call. Following the official opening by His Excellency the Governor, the first telephone call over the Hong Kong-Canton trunk line was put through at 1 p.m. by the Sincere Co., Ltd., to their branch store in Canton, and a conversation was carried on between Mr. Ma Ying-piu, a founder of the Company and Managing Director in Hong Kong, and Mr. Cheuk Sook-wo, the Chief Manager in Canton. Mr. Ma reported that the conversation was very clear, as if speaking from one floor to another of the Sincere Building itself.

The conversation was as follows:—

Mr. Ma: Hello, are you Mr. Cheuk, the Chief Manager at Canton?

Mr. Cheuk: Yes, sir. Are you the Managing Director at Hong Kong?

Mr. Ma: Yes. To-day is a historical day on account of the inauguration of the Canton-Hong Kong trunk telephone line, a move which we have been championing for years, particularly at your end. We are happy and honoured to be given the first to put through a call on this historical occasion. Since this is the first conversation between firms in Hong Kong and Canton, I take the liberty of conveying to you the goodwill and friendship of the Hong Kong people for the people of our neighbouring city of Canton.

Mr. Cheuk: We thank you heartily for your message of good will which we sincerely reciprocate. Probably no more appropriate occasion can be found than the present to force this new link between our two cities, as the whole of Kwangtung's population is grateful to Hong Kong for the generosity it had shown in contributing to the Flood Relief Fund.

Hong Kong has always taken the interests of Canton and its people to heart, and this additional link will help to foster even stronger friendship between our two cities. We pray with all our hearts that this co-operation will exist for ever.

Then followed some interesting discussion about the great sale which is now being held by Sincere's at both cities. We regret that on account of the pressure of space and time makes it necessary for us to curtail this report.

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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London, Aug. 15)Ningpo
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4.
Europe via Negapatam (Letters and Papers, London, Aug. 6)Haruna Maru
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MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, Aug. 14)President Wilson
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8.
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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11.
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U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai (Seattle, Aug. 22)President Taft

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K.P.O. Sept. 1, 4.30 p.m.
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Letters Sept. 2, 8.30 a.m.
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SwatowHang Sang 10 a.m.
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(Due Marseilles, Oct. 1.)
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Letters Sept. 2, 10 a.m. Letters Sept. 2, 12.30 p.m.
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Letters Sept. 2, 4.30 p.m.
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Hoihow, Pakhoi and HaiphongMenado Maru 8.30 a.m.
Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa & S. American PortsBuenos Aires Maru 9.30 a.m.
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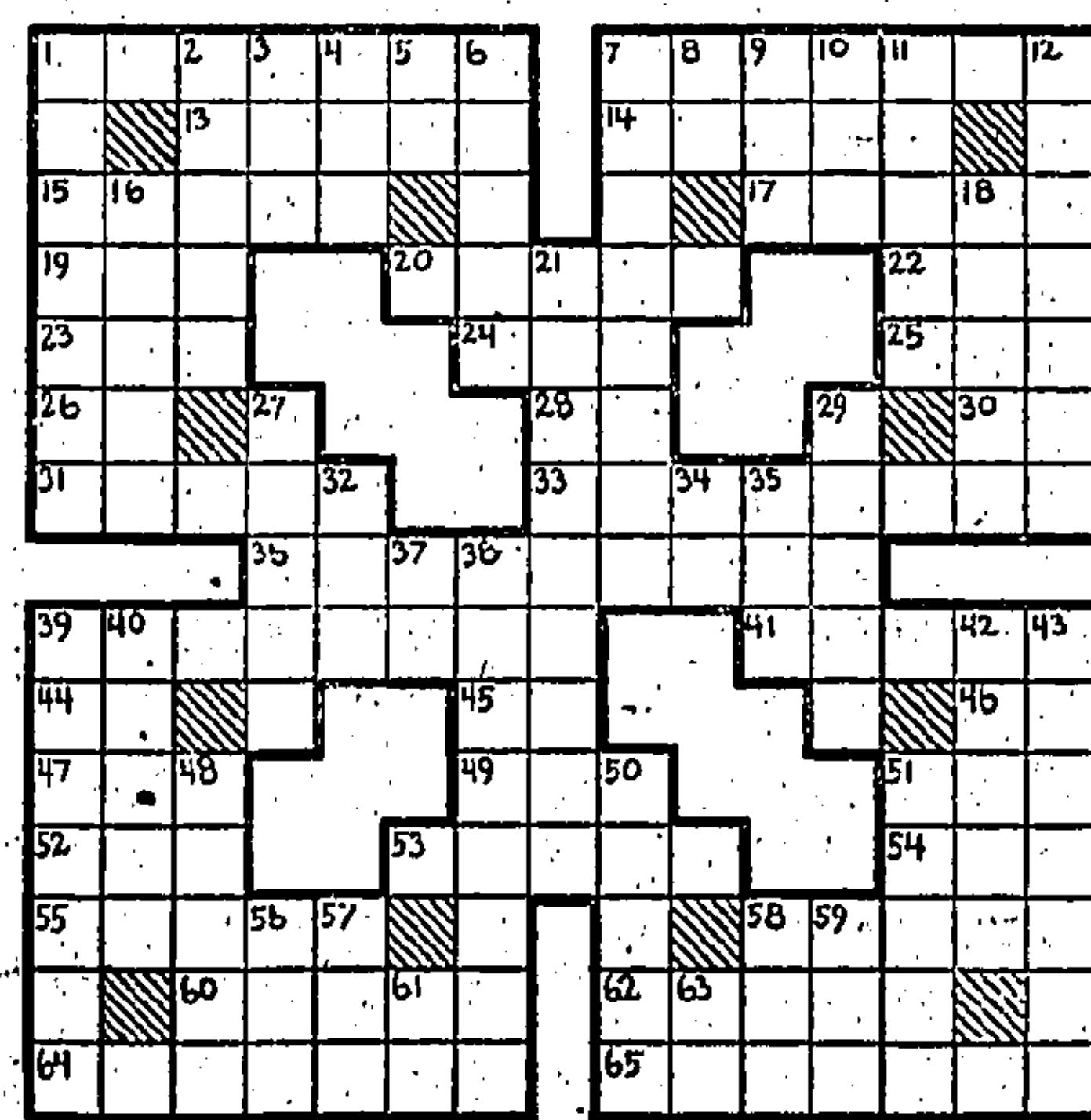
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL
1-Stage
7-To extend opposite to, as the chord of an arc
13-Girl's name
14-Musical drama
15-Possessive pronoun (old form)
17-Fierce flesh-eating mammal
18-Hastened
20-Stands wide open
22-A Hebrew high priest
23-Adam's wife
24-And not
25-Prefix—a form of ad
26-Left side (abbr.)
30-Symbol for tellurium
31-Largest State of the U.S.
33-Became yellow
36-To enter the army
38-A hyacinth
41-To entice
44-A type measure
45-Day's sight (abbr.)
46-Railroad (abbr.)
47-Prefix—wrong
48-Out (S. Afr. D.)

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
51-To bind
52-Highest note in Guido's scale
53-Girl's name
54-A doctrine
55-Pertaining to the kidneys
58-A medicinal berry
60-To build
62-Diminutive of Stephen
64-To form into terraces
65-Playhouse

VERTICAL
1-To draw back
2-A New England State
3-A cape in Massachusetts
4-An ending of feminine names
5-Symbol for nickel
6-A closed automobile
7-A white in S. W. England
8-Above
9-To wage
10-Prefix—three
11-Insipidly anxious (abbr.)
12-For something

VERTICAL (Cont.)
12-Ridiculed
16-A seaport of N. W. France
18-Child's part of society
21-A region of the South Sea Islands
27-A king of Israel
30-The sun
34-French for the short for Lulu
38-To move in waves
39-A mark for misconduct in school
40-Man's name
42-Burns as prize
43-To quiver or shake
46-Of grassy field
50-To have confidence in
51-A dependency of China
54-Arrive (abbr.)
57-Ak grassy field
58-A letter
60-A succulent fruit, as the grape
61-Cubic centimeter (abbr.)
63-Symbol for thorium

The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in tomorrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.

EXCHANGES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

On London—
Bank, wire 11 1/2
Bank, on demand 11 1/2
Bank, 4 months' sight 11 9/16
Credits, 4 months' sight 1/— 3/16
Documentary, 4 months' sight 1/— 5/16
On Paris—
On demand 592 1/2
Credits, 4 months' sight 632 1/2
On Berlin—
On demand Nom.
On New York—
On demand 23 1/4
Credits, 60 days' 24 1/4
On Bombay—
Wire 64 1/4
On demand 64 1/4
On Calcutta—
Wire 64 1/4
On demand 64 1/4
On Singapore—
On demand 41 1/2
On Manila—
On demand 46 1/2
On Shanghai—
On demand Tls. 79 1/4
Dollar 7 1/2 dis.
On Yokohama—
On demand 47 1/2
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate) 1/—
Silver (per oz.) 12 1/2
Bar Silver in Hong Kong 1 1/4 prem.
Copper Cash Nominal
Copper Cents 8 1/2 prem.
Rate of Native Interest 3 1/4 p.a.
Chinese Sub. Coin 24 1/4 dis.
Hong Kong Sub. Coin Par.

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Rugby, Yesterday:
Paris 123.97 1/2
New York 4.86 3/16
Brussels 34.87 1/2
Geneva 24.99
Amsterdam 12.05 1/2
Milan 92.92 1/2
Berlin 20.5
Stockholm 18.15 1/2
Copenhagen 18.18
Oslo 18.18
Helsingfors 193
Vienna 34.5
Prague 164
Madrid 58.5
Lisbon 100
Athens 375
Bucharest 817
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HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

Opening Daily Official Quotations 1st Sept., 1931.

Next Settlement Day, Monday, 28th Sept., 1931.

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Banks.						
Hong Kong Bank	...	...	2040	...	Dec.	Interim at 12 1/2 = 30.00 Aug. 10, 31
Chartered Bank	...	...	19	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 Mar. —, 31
Mercantile Bk., A.B.	...	...	20	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 Apr. —, 31
" " C.	...	...	191	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 Feb. 28, 31
Bank of Asia	...	...	134	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 Feb. 28, 31
Insurance.						
Canton Ins.	...	...	1560	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 May 12, 31
Union Ins.	...	...	5591	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 May 29, 31
China Underwriters	...	...	6.06	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 May 29, 31
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Shipping.						
Douglases	...	...	24	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 Mar. 4, 30
H. K. Steamships	...	...	28	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 June 0, 32
Indo-China (Pref.)	...	...	40	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 July 6, 31
(Def.)	...	...	30	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 Mar. 21, 31
Shells Bearer	...	...	389	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 Mar. 21, 31
Union Waterboats	...	...	231	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 Mar. 21, 31
Mining.						
Benguet	...	...	11 1/2	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 June 30, 31
Kaitum Mining Ad. s/	...	...	276	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 Dec. 30, 30
Langkat (Single) Th.	...	...	4.95	...	Oct.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 May 8, 30
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(B) s/	...	...	10	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 Mar. 19, 31
China Provident (old) s/	...	...	6.40	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 Apr. 10, 31
(new) s/	...	...	3.05	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 Apr. 10, 31
Hongkong	...	...	270	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 May 4, 31
N. Engineering Th.	...	...	6.10	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 May 4, 31
Shanghai Docks Th.	...	...	105 1/2	...	Apr.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 July 29, 31
Land, Hotels & Buildings.						
H. K. & S. H. (old) s/	...	...	17.35	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 Apr. 10, 31
(new) s/	...	...	16.90	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 Apr. 10, 31
H. K. Lands	...	...	31.50	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 Apr. 10, 31
Shanghai Lands Th.	...	...	41	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 July 29, 31
Humphreys (old) s/	...	...	22 1/2	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 Feb. 26, 31
(new) s/	...	...	22	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 Sept. 1, 31
H. K. Realities	...	...	17.70	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 July 29, 31
Chinese Estates	...	...	84	...	Feb.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 July 29, 31
Cotton Mills.						
Ewo Cotton	...	...	15.30	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 Mar. 12, 31
Shanghai Cotton Th.	...	...	105	...	Apr. and Oct.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 May 27, 31
Zong Sing	...	...	12	...	June	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 Oct. 11, 30
Public Utilities.						
H. K. Tramways	...	...	32.10	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 Aug. 26, 31
Peak Tams (old) s/	...	...	14 1/2	...	Apr.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 June 16, 31
(new) s/	...	...	6.35	...	Apr.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 June 16, 31
Star Ferris	...	...	24 1/2	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 Feb. 13, 31
Yamat Ferris	...	...	26 1/2	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 June 28, 31
China Light	...	...	30	...	Sept.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 Dec. 16, 30
H. K. Electric	...	...	61 1/2	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 Dec. 16, 30
Macao	...	...	28	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 Dec. 16, 30
Sandakan Light	...	...	12	...	June	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 Aug. 4, 31
H. K. Tels. fully paid s/	...	...	40	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 Feb. 26, 30
China Buses	...	...	17.60	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 Feb. 26, 30
S'pore Traction (Ord.) s/	...	...	19 1/2	...	Sept.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 Feb. 6, 31
(Pref.) s/	...	...	19 1/2	...	Sept.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 Feb. 6, 31
Industrials.						
China Sugars	...	...	20.00	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 Mar. 12, 31
Malabar Sugars	...	...	39	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75 Subject to 1/2% making 30.00 for 1930 Mar. 12, 31
Cald. Macg. Ord. Th.	...	...	14	...	Dec.	Final 7 1/2 = 18.75

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RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES via Salgon, Singapore, Colombo, Durban & Capetown.	Buenos Aires Maru	Thurs.	3rd Sept.
MONBASA, ZANZIBAR, DAR-ES-SALAAM, BEIRA, LOURENCO, MARQUES, DURBAN, PORT ELIZABETH & CAPE TOWN THENCE TO RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES via Singapore & Colombo.	Arizono Maru	Wed.	7th Oct.
BRISBANE, SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, AUCKLAND & WELLINGTON via Manila, JAPAN PORTS (Frequent Services).	Sydney Maru	Sun.	6th Sept.
LONDON, HAMBURG, ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP via Singapore, Colombo, Suez & Port Said.	Havana Maru	Fri.	11th Sept.
NEW YORK via Japan ports, Los Angeles & Panama. Call Direct at Boston, Philadelphia & Baltimore.	Amazon Maru	Fri.	11th Sept.
BOMBAY via Singapore, Belawan Deli & Colombo.	Alaska Maru	Sun.	11th Oct.
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	Kinai Maru	Tues.	15th Sept.
HAIPHONG via Hanoi & Pakhoi (Fortnightly).	Hokuroku Maru	Tues.	15th Sept.
SEELUNG via Swatow & Amoy (8 p.m. every Sunday).	Argon Maru	Thurs.	3rd Sept.
AKAO via Swatow & Amoy (Fortnightly).	Honolulu Maru	Tues.	1st Sept.
	Burma Maru	Fri.	18th Sept.
	Menado Maru	Thurs.	3rd Sept.
	Canton Maru	Sun.	12th Sept.
	Doll Maru	Thurs.	10th Sept.

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ARRIVALS OF SHIPS.

Friday, August 28.
Nagato Maru, Japanese str., 4,324 tons, Capt. H. Tanaka, from Shanghai, Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.

Tanaka Maru, Japanese str., 4,238 tons, Capt. M. Uchino, from Singapore, buoy No. A3.—N.Y.K.

Saturday, August 29.
Antares, British str., 2,107 tons, Capt. D. Lupton, from Hongkong, buoy No. B20.—B. & S.

Glengarry, British str., 5,843 tons, Capt. J. Angier, from Shanghai, buoy No. A1.—J. M. & Co.

Helios, Norwegian str., 1,300 tons, Capt. T. Olsen, from Swatow, buoy No. B16.—Thoresen & Co.

Hydrangea, British str., 561 tons, Captain P. W. Grierson, from Swatow, Chiu On Wharf.—Chiu On S.S. Co.

Kalgan, British str., 1,356 tons, Capt. C. P. Miller, from Swatow, buoy No. B9.—B. & S.

Karmala, British str., 5,680 tons, Captain A. McEryde, from Shanghai, buoy No. A2.—M. M. & Co.

Mikage Maru, Japanese str., 1,679 tons, Capt. M. Hanbayashi, from Amoy, Yaumatz Anchorage.—M.B.K.

Mulinan, Danish str., 1,739 tons, Capt. V. Relster, from Swatow, buoy No. B8.—Chin Seng Hong.

Niel Maersk, Danish str., 3,168 tons, Capt. S. M. Andreasen, from Shanghai, buoy No. A11.—Jensen & Co.

Plusinville, Norwegian str., 2,749 tons, Capt. H. Ludvig, from Manila, buoy No. A6.—Thoresen & Co.

President Cleveland, American str., 3,393 tons, Capt. G. W. Yardley, from Shanghai, Kowloon Wharf.—A.M.L.

St. Albans, British str., 2,537 tons, Capt. F. R. Miller, from Manila, Kowloon Wharf.—M. M. & Co.

Tjilivong, Dutch str., 3,061 tons, Captain A. A. Berkhout, from Moji, buoy No. A10.—J.C.J.L.

Tonkin, French str., 906 tons, Capt. J. Bonnamour, from Port Bayard, buoy No. C1.—M.M.

An Lee, Chinese str., 992 tons, Capt. A. Sano, from Canton, buoy No. B17.—Yee Tai Hong.

Poo Lee, Chinese str., 859 tons, Capt. M. Tanida, from Chefoo, buoy No. C2.—Shun Tai Hong.

Haiching, British str., 1,284 tons, Capt. Ellis Walker, from Foochow via Amoy and Swatow, Douglas Wharf.—Douglas S.S. Co.

Hungang, British str., 1,356 tons, Capt. J. Moodie, from Canton, Stonecutters Anchorage.—J. M. & Co.

Hawaii Maru, Japanese str., 5,902 tons, Capt. T. Narita, from Moji, buoy No. A1.—O.S.K.

Hilda, Italian str., 2,974 tons, Capt. D. Taralorchia, from Shanghai, buoy No. A11.—Dodwell & Co.

Hiroshi Maru No. 3, Japanese str., 664 tons, Capt. Y. Okada, from Swatow, Stonecutters Anchorage.—M.B.K.

PASSENGER LISTS.

Per m.s. Tatsuta Maru from San Francisco via Japan ports and Shanghai on August 30:—
Mr. A. H. Dale, Miss M. Laird, Mrs. M. R. Tapper, Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Lair, Miss H. Tapper, Miss O. Tapper, Mr. R. C. Morton, Miss H. T. Gilroy, Miss H. E. Murphy, Mrs. H. N. Leary, Mr. J. Shackford, Mr. S. Okawa, Mr. T. Takase, Mr. H. Satoh, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Hardbrook, Miss H. R. Griggs, Mr. W. J. Hogan, Rev. R. Kennelly, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. da Rosa, Mrs. C. Ribeiro, Mrs. A. T. da Rosa, Miss M. da Rosa, Miss M. de Roza, Mrs. Y. Dedeoglou, Miss K. Dedeoglou, Mr. C. T. King, Mr. G. G. Givullier, Mr. C. Cline, Mrs. J. G. Gjording, Mr. I. H. Gjording, Mr. and Mrs. I. Parker, Mr. F. Nakamura, Miss M. L. Adams, Miss W. E. Wing, Dr. and Mrs. Manuel M. Robles, Miss Beatrice Robles, Miss Lillie Robles, Miss T. Bla, Miss L. Parker, Miss I. Parker, Miss I. G. Glins.

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THREE SHIPPING CO.'S PACT.

Results of Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

In his address to the shareholders of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha at the half-yearly meeting in Tokyo, the vice-president, Mr. N. Ohtani, said the net loss of 640,000 yen was, needless to say, due to the persistently continuing world depression of trade and industry. As far as Japan was concerned, he said she was placed in a peculiar financial and industrial predicament as a result of the removal of the gold ban and of the stringent retrenchment being exercised all round. He regretted that he saw yet no sign of an early recovery, and that they company's business would have to be carried on under continued, if not increased, difficulties, requiring the extraordinary perseverance and fortitude of all concerned.

The adversity suffered by the company's business was aggravated during the term under review by the serious decline in the price of silver, from which China and other Oriental countries using silver as currency suffered heavily, the company's business being severely affected thereby.

The continued obstinate trade and industrial depression in Europe, America and elsewhere, coupled with the evergrowing high tariff walls of most countries, and aggravated by the political unrest in so many countries, was the cause of endless trouble to shipping, all these happenings increasingly tending to curtail the already dwindling cargo movements, and, therefore, still further screwing down freight rates.

The chairman particularly deplored the fact that, instead of the freight conferences being protected as the only safeguarding medium of keeping the rates steady, they were being subjected to constant disturbances, which only helped still more to demoralise freight rates, and which could be well avoided, should a greater sense of fairness and co-operation prevail.

He was pleased to say, however, that the company has been so far successful in reducing current expenditure to a considerable extent, and he assured the shareholders that its efforts would be continued with the faithful collaboration of the staff, with a view to still further retrenchment.

The chairman was glad to report that an agreement has been concluded between the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, the Osaka Shosen Kaisha, and the Kinki Yusen Kaisha, whereby the three companies undertake:

- 1.—Mutually to respect the established interests in the lines of navigation solely conducted by any of them, i.e., not parallel to, or competitive with, those of either of the other companies.
- 2.—To adjust the lines of navigation carried on in competition with, or running parallel to, one another.
- 3.—To pool the use of the equipments and accommodation ashore and afloat of the three companies.

4.—To pool freight earnings on certain lines.

5.—To carry on the business by harmonious co-operation.

The chairman expressed his earnest hope that such an agreement would enable the three companies to meet the requirements of the times, and to accomplish the rationalisation of the conduct of their business.

WATER LEVELS.

Details for West, North and East Rivers.

The following table, issued by the Kwangtung River Conservancy Commission, shows in feet the water levels on the West, North, East River and East River on the dates named:—

	Aug. 29	Aug. 30
West River at Shihung	21.2	20.6
North River at Samshui	10.3	10.3
North River at Tsingyuen	13.2	—
East River at Sheklung	6.9	7.5
The highest levels recorded are:—		
Shihung, 41 feet; Tsingyuen, 29.2 feet; Samshui, 27.3 feet; Sheklung, 11.5 feet.		
The lowest levels on record are minus 5 feet at Samshui and minus 2.7 feet at Sheklung.		

SHIPBUILDING WAGES.

Employers' Proposal To Be Enforced.

The Central Board of the Shipbuilding Federation met at Carlisle in July when representatives of all the shipbuilders in the country were present.

The committee, which had been conducting negotiations with the trade unions in regard to more economical cost of production, reported on the conference held on the previous day, at which no settlement was reached.

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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 28th inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the vessel must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 7th September, or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 28th inst. at 10 a.m. by our surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

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All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 18th September or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 3rd September at 10 a.m. by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

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tlement was reached with the trade unions.

The proceedings were private, but it is understood that the employers had confirmed the intimation made by their committee that the employers' wages proposal will be applied throughout the industry as from September 1.

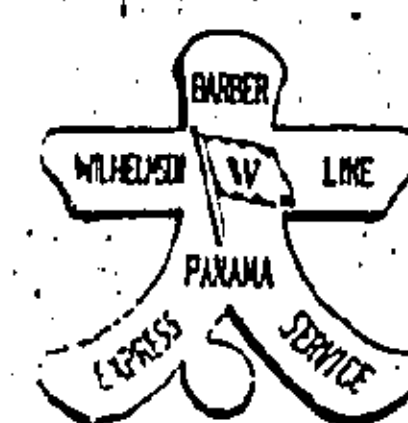
STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. Empress of Canada arrived at Vancouver on August 30 (Sun.) at noon, leaves Vancouver on September 12 (Sat.) and is due at Hong Kong on October 2 (Fri.). She leaves Hong Kong for Manila on October 2 (Fri.), p.m.

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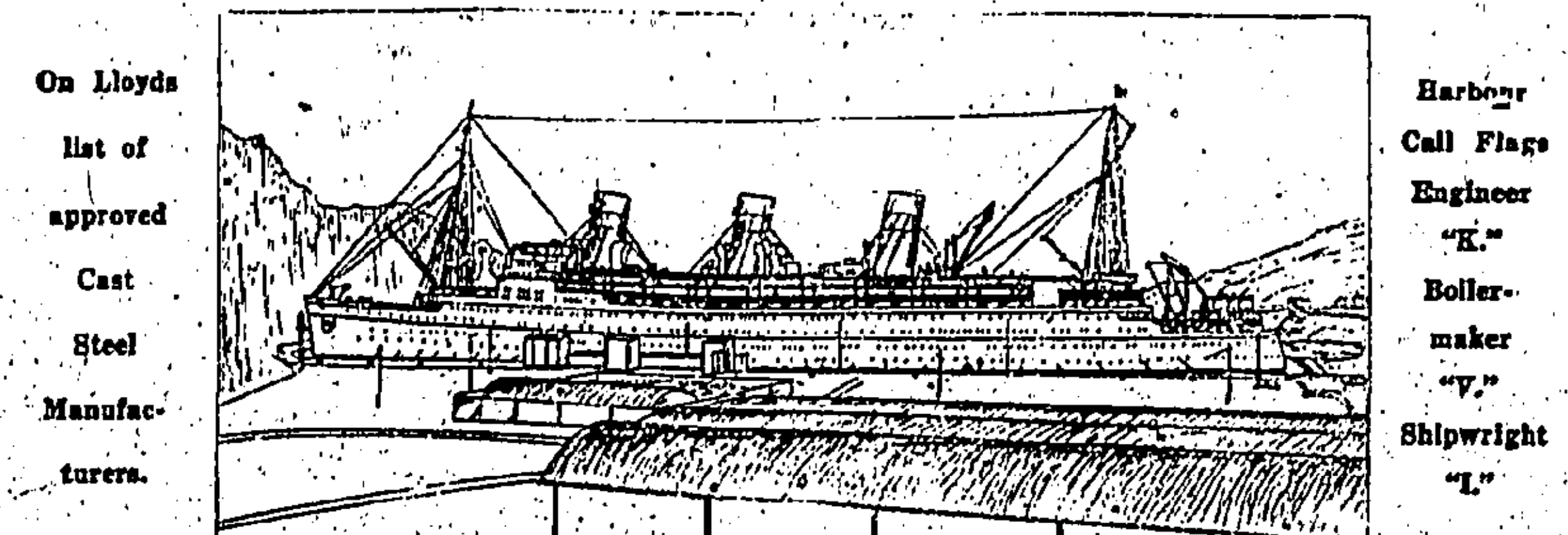
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RADIO TOPICS

LISTENER'S LOG.

Who Has Heard Manila?
—H.M.V. Reported Silent

Singapore, August 19.
There was another big batch of letters from Malayan wireless enthusiasts this week, but most of them, I have reluctantly had to hold over. Writing from Gomali Estate, Gemas, Mr. G. Blomfield says:—You mention having failed to tune in Manila on 49.3 metres. I was searching for them also and failed. I tuned in Tanjong Priok on 49.3m. and there was no interference other than that of Saigon. Had Manila been transmitting at the same time as Tanjong Priok on 49.3 metres, they would have set up heterodyne interference which would have spoiled both their programme. As there was no such interference, I think Manila must have been on another wave-length or else their power was very small.

I should be glad to hear if anyone has been successful in getting the H.M.V. station on 25.8 metre. I have often listened for them but always in vain. G 5 S W can be heard every night now but never a sign of the H.M.V. station. Just above G 5 S W are two beam stations GBH and VIZ who send automatic Morse throughout 24 hours and I am wondering if one of these coincides with the wave-length of 25.8m. and prevents H.M.V. from being heard.

I think Bolinas, KEL, KEZ, KER, etc. have stopped their Thursday transmissions now but they are quite often testing with other stations. I wonder if any other listeners heard the N.Z. and British cricketers broadcasting the result of the Test match to N.Z. the other night I picked them up at 2.30 a.m. from the G.P.O. station at Rugby. They were very clear and I heard Lowry, Jardine, Chapman and Gilligan talking. Sydney were relaying it to Wellington by cable and Wellington could be heard replying by tuning in Sydney.

Several of the big American broadcasting stations are now making arrangements for television transmissions on the short waves. Hitherto, these have been confined to the lower medium bands, or, at any rate, to wave-lengths above 150 metres. The new departure should have far-reaching consequences for a good many reasons. Everywhere the medium wavebands are overcrowded and it is most difficult to fit in television transmissions, which want a good deal of elbow-room, without causing widespread interference. On the short waves there is a great deal more room. Not only can images of normal size be sent without any possibility of causing interference, but also it is likely that bigger images can be transmitted. This means that, instead of just the face and the neck of one person, there is no reason why whole scenes of quite respectable size should not be sent out. And Singapore is still appealing for a transmitting station!

A peculiar case of radio interference recently occurred in a German factory. Interference was reported which, on preliminary investigation, certainly appeared to emanate from an electric motor. Tests, however, proved that the motor was not to blame. Ultimately, the interference was traced to a rubber driving belt. The belt friction on the pulley caused an accumulation of static which, when discharging, produced minute sparks. Earthing the pulley cured the trouble.

Another strange case of radio interference was reported but could not be traced. When, however, the guttering of a neighbouring house collapsed in a storm, the interference ceased, only to resume when the gutter was replaced. Investigation showed the roof to be copper covered, which collected static charges. These charges were periodically discharged across a small gap between the gutter and roof. Here was the cause. Earthing the roof and gutter stopped the interference.—Straits Times.

The Federal Loper Settlement, Sungai Buloh, has recently become the proud possessor of a wireless receiving set. Kuala Lumpur, Selangor, Bangkok and Sourabaya, have come through clearly.

FROM SINGAPORE.

Another Malayan Radio Society.

Singapore, Aug. 19.
Wireless as a hobby has spread to Malacca and a radio society has been formed to further the interests of amateurs and to add voice to the appeal which has been made to Government to provide Malaya with an up-to-date broadcasting station. A sub-committee consisting of Messrs. R. A. Page, Toh Seng Watt and H. N. Winter has been formed to draw up the society's rules and Mr. T. G. Perkins has undertaken the duties of secretary and treasurer pro tem. A club house has been equipped in Jonker Street, in which lectures will be given and experiments made. The objects of the society, as determined at the preliminary meeting held last Saturday, are as follows:—

(a) To promote interest in wireless in Malacca.

(b) To assist amateurs by discussion, experiment and advice on matters pertaining to wireless.

(c) To approach Government for a small transmitter for Malacca.

(d) To work for an increase in radio facilities.

The society is extremely ambitious in its decision to approach Government for a small transmitter for Malacca, and I cannot help thinking that it would have been a wiser move on the part of the society at this juncture to have deferred taking such action until the Singapore broadcasting station is an accomplished fact. In any event it is hardly likely that Government would equip a station at Malacca before satisfying Singapore's needs, and even if such an extraordinary step were taken Malacca would encounter great difficulty in supplying programmes. It would, therefore, be better for all concerned if the Malacca society at present concentrated in lending its aid to the appeal for a powerful medium-wave transmitter for Singapore.

The "Omha Pende Four." To-morrow evening Mr. R. E. Earle will give a lecture on the "Omha Pende Four" which has been designed to meet the new requirements of the Government regulations for a screen-grid, and which is stated to be an ideal receiver for the tropics. In an introductory description of the set in the current issue of "Omha Pende," which journal, incidentally, is a great improvement on the first issue and should be in the hands of all listeners in Malaya, Mr. Earle says,—"Here in Malaya we are troubled more or less with static disturbance in our wireless reception on all waves above 20 metres and it is far more enjoyable to listen to moderate volume on the loudspeaker than to loud volume with an accompaniment of cracks and crashes, hence this receiver is designed to give moderate loudspeaker volume with small current consumption. A screen-grid detector is a definite gain in receivers using anode bend detection and no reaction, but I am yet to be convinced that the screen-grid valve can beat the modern specially designed British triodes as an oscillating grid detector. Then there is the difficulty of designing a suitable coupling for and H.T. voltage of 120. The pentode will give a definite volume gain in the last stage but it is doubtful whether the extra volume gain is worth the slight loss in quality."

Quieter Reception. Mr. Earle proceeds to ask "Is total screening necessary? No! certainly not, but it makes for quieter reception and better selectivity. The next best thing to full screening is to screen the detector and H.F. amplifier. The current issue of Omha Pende gives complete details of the set, together with a blue-print plan. It will be interesting to see to what extent the set is adopted by dealers, and also the degree of successful reception attained. I understand that a number of sets are now being built to Mr. Earle's specification.

Cheap Sets. A Sungei Lembing correspondent writes:—"With reference to Mr. Mortlock's remarks quoted in your wireless page this week, I am pleased to learn that the cost of the proposed 'Omha Pende Four' will probably be marketed at about \$180 complete, including all necessary subsidiary equipment. It will

doubtless be worth while to await the advent of this set on the market especially designed by capable electrical men in Singapore who are acquainted with local conditions. It will, of course, be realised that the particulars given by me by request regarding my two-valve set were forwarded prior to any definite information being available at that time of the "Omha Pende Four," or indeed any other set which, with complete equipment, would be capable of logging Chelmsford, Holland and Rome, etc., on the headphones and Saigon and Bandoeng with fair results on the loudspeaker, at anything nearly so cheap as \$85 all in, or alternatively by adding an extra valve and transformer securing good loudspeaker results of Eindhoven and Rome at a little extra cost. The "Omha Pende Four" will probably prove to

be a more efficient, stable and better finished article and will doubtless be able to log stations over 50 metres with which difficulty is experienced on the two-valve. In the meanwhile and until the "Omha Pende Four" is really with us, one cannot help feeling that the manufacturers of the two-valve are to be congratulated on the production of a cheap and simple little set, the marketing of which in Malaya at a reasonable price will undoubtedly go far to influence the introduction of new arrivals such as the "Omha Pende Four" at favourable competitive prices within the means of Europeans at present resident in a slump-stricken country.

Weak Signals.

A Nibong Tebal reader criticises the cheap two-valve set mentioned above, but if he will refer again to the name of the makers—William Stephens and Co., London—he will see that the set he writes of is made and marketed by a different firm in Devon. He proceeds,—You are,

however, rather misleading your readers in advising this two-valve set. On two valves you don't get strong enough signals for Britain. Under good conditions headphone reception is possible but phones are not comfortable. The minimum satisfactory number is three valves, S. G. Det. and LLF. This gives fair strength. The best British set now obtained is the Eddystone Homeland four, which sells for £10 and is made by Stratton and Co., Birmingham. They have made a specialty of S.W. sets for years, and there is nothing freakish about their sets. It tunes from 12.5 to 85 and 250/550 metres. There are only two tuning dials, the S.G. being aperiodic. Of stations regularly received, Paris comes through well every evening at 9.30 but there is no music. Two Russian stations are regularly on at about 25 metres, just above Rome; they come through every evening on the loudspeaker after 9 p.m. Goldberg on 26 metres is strong but has very poor transmission.

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Butcher Meat.				Poultry.			
Beef Sirloin	牛尾肥	lb.	33 24 12	Chicken	雞	lb.	64 30 31
" Prime Cut	牛尾	lb.	30 28 11	Capons, Small	雞	lb.	60 28 30
" Corned	牛尾	lb.	28 12	Capons, Large	雞	lb.	66 28 30
" Roast	牛尾	lb.	33 24 22	Duck	鴨	lb.	42 22 21
" Breast	牛尾	lb.	30 20 18	Doves	鴿	each	50 22 21
" Soup	牛尾	lb.	27 20 18	Eggs, Hen (cooking)	蛋	per doz.	33 18
" Steak	牛尾	lb.	33 24 22	Eggs, Hen (fresh)	蛋	per doz.	36 25 20
" Steak Sirloin	牛尾	lb.	46 30 25	Fowls, Canton	雞	lb.	72 36 24
" Sausages	牛尾	lb.	36 26 20	Fowls, Hainan	雞	lb.	60 35 24
Bullock's Brains	牛尾	per set	17 10 12	Geese	鴨	lb.	50 24 24
" Tongue, fresh	牛尾	each	75 50 60	Pigeons, Canton	鴿	each	45 30 21
" Tongue, corned	牛尾	each	60	" Hollow	鴿	each	35 28 21
" Head	牛尾	lb.	12 20 12	Turkeys, Cock	雞	lb.	75
" Heart	牛尾	lb.	24 18 14	Turkeys, Hen	雞	lb.	60 61 45
" Hump, Salt	牛尾	lb.	20 18	Snipe	鴨	each	30
" Feet	牛尾	each	12 10 12	Pheasant	鴨	each	30
" Kidneys	牛尾	lb.	15 10 12	Quail	鴨	each	30
" Tail	牛尾	lb.	27 20 22	Partridges	鴨	each	30
" Liver	牛尾	lb.	24 13 14				
" Tripe	牛尾	lb.	8 6 7				
Calves' Head & Feet	牛頭	set	\$1.50 \$1.00 \$1.00				
Mutton Chop	羊排	lb.	44 28 21	Fruits.			
" Leg	羊排	lb.	44 28 21	Almonds	杏仁	lb.	80 35 21
" Shoulder	羊排	lb.	40 24 18	Apples (California)	金山蘋果	lb.	45 28 21
" Saddle	羊排	lb.	44 28 21	Bananas (bride's)	蕉山香蕉	lb.	8 4
Pig's Chillings	猪排	lb.	30 27 21	Carapola	椰	lb.	20 12 10
" Brains	猪排	Per set	8	Cocoanuts	椰子	each	14 10 10
" Feet	猪排	lb.	18 15 12	Lemons, China	檸檬	lb.	12 25 30
" Fry	猪排	lb.	28 15 18	Lemons (American)	金山檸檬	each	13 8
" Head	猪排	lb.	18 20 12	Lichees, Dried	荔枝干	lb.	1.00 25 30
" Heart	猪排	each	10 10 10	Oranges (Canton)	新會甜橙	lb.	28 12 10
" Kidneys	猪排	lb.	15 10 8	Oranges	橙	lb.	28 12 10
" Liver	猪排	lb.	48 30 24	Fears (Canton)	沙	lb.	28 12 10
Pork Chop	猪排	lb.	38 25 23	Peanuts	花生	lb.	14 10 12
" Leg	猪排	lb.	38 25 23	Persimmons, Large	紅柿	lb.	24 12 10
" Loin	猪排	lb.	44 30 24	Plantain	大蕉	lb.	5 8
" Fat or Lard	猪排	lb.	28 21 18	Pumpkin, Siam	蓮蓬	each	20 12 10
Sheep's Head & Feet	羊頭	per set	60 60 70	Walrus	合桃	lb.	48 28 21
" Heart	羊頭	each	12 8 7	Grapes	提子	lb.	70 28 21
" Kidneys	羊頭	lb.	15 12 10				
" Liver	羊頭	lb.	45 28 25				
" Suet, Beef	牛油	lb.	38 28 26				
" Mutton	牛油	lb.	22 20 20				
" Sausages	牛油	lb.	28 20 20				
		lb.	32 20 20				
Fish.				Vegetables, &c.			
Barbel	鮠	lb.	60 16 24	Artichokes	菊	each	14 12 10
Bream	鯉	lb.	38 20 16	Beans, Sprout	豆	lb.	7 7 7
Canton Fresh Water	淡水魚	lb.	38 20 16	" Long	豆	lb.	14 12 10
" Fish	魚	lb.	38 20 16	Beet Root	紅	lb.	14 12 10
Carp	鯉	lb.	40 18 16	Bitter Squash	苦	lb.	8 24 12
Catfish	鰱	lb.	50 16 27	Brinjals, Green	青	lb.	6 5 3
Codfish	鱈	lb.	48 12 9	" Red	紅	lb.	6 5 3
Crabs	蟹	lb.	58 16 17	Cabbage, Chinese	芥	lb.	14 12 10
Cuttle Fish	墨	lb.	32 28 26	" (Shanghai)	菜	lb.	12 10 8
Dab	魷	lb.	28 18 27	Cane Shoots, bunch	菜	lb.	8 20 12
Dace	魷	lb.	60 28 16	Cauliflower (Large)	菜	each	12 10 8
Dog Fish	魷	lb.	22 10 8	" (Medium)	菜	each	12 10 8
Eels, Conger	魷	lb.	58 16 17	" (Small)	菜	each	6 6 6
" Fresh Water	魷	lb.	52 10 8	Carrots	金	lb.	16 5 6
" Yellow	魷	lb.	84 28 30	Celery, Chinese	菜	lb.	14 10 6
Frogs	魷	lb.	1.00 32 25	Chillies, Dried	菜	lb.	18 25 5
Garoupa	魷	lb.	28 40 30	" Red	菜	lb.	14 10 10
Gudgeon	魷	lb.	36 22 18	" Green	菜	lb.	6 8 12
Hairbut	魷	lb.	48 18 28	Curry Stuff, English	菜	lb.	10 8 6
Labrus	魷	lb.	48 18 16	Cucumbers	菜	lb.	8 2 1
Lobsters	魷	lb.	85 32 18	Garlic	菜	lb.	10 6 6
Mackerel	魷	lb.	76 62 24	Ginger, Young	菜	lb.	10 7 1
Monk Fish	魷	lb.	60 32 21	" Old	菜	lb.	8 20 12
Mullet	魷	lb.	44 13 2	Horse radish, Shanghai	菜	lb.	35 8 4
Oysters	魷	lb.	40 12 2	Indian Corn	菜	lb.	45 12 10
Parrot Fish	魷	lb.	38 14 9	Lettuce	菜	lb.	12 1 1
Pike	魷	lb.	52 16 9	Water Chestnuts	菜	lb.	10 8 6
Plaice	魷	lb.	62 36 20	" Mandarin	菜	lb.	12 10 8
Pomfret, White	魷	lb.	46 38 45	Mushrooms, Fresh	菜	lb.	48 8 8
Pomfret, Black	魷	lb.	84 10 14	Okros	菜	lb.	1 10 10
Prawns	魷	lb.	30 10 14	Onions, Bombay	菜	lb.	10 8 6
Ray	魷	lb.	36 13 18	" Green	菜	lb.	6 4 6
Rock Fish	魷	lb.	44 22 10	" Shanghai	菜	lb.	6 6 6
Roach	魷	lb.	44 22 10	Parsley	菜	lb.	40 60 8
Salmon	魷	lb.	28 8 10	Potato, Sweet	菜	lb.	5 2 1
Shark	魷	lb.	28 10 10	" Japanese	菜	lb.	4 3 1
Shrimp	魷	lb.	64 38 30	" American	菜	lb.	8 3 1
Snapper	魷	lb.	52 28 28	Pumpkin	菜	lb.	5 4 4
Snapper	魷	lb.	50 22 28	Radish	菜	lb.	1 1 1
Tench	魷	lb.	46 20 28	Rhubarb (Fresh)	菜	lb.	10 8 8
Turbot	魷	lb.	46 12 12	Shallots	菜	lb.	6 8 8
Turbot, small fr. water	魷	lb.	1.40 40 21	Spinach	菜	lb.	6 8 8



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FIRST MEETING OF NATIONAL CABINET

**PREMIER PREPARING A
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SALARY REDUCTIONS

**PARLIAMENT MAY NOW MEET
ON SEPTEMBER 15**

It is now expected that Parliament will meet on September 15, a week later than at first proposed. This is in order to give the Cabinet more time to consider economy proposals and prepare measures for their adoption.

It is believed that, while the Cabinet is engaged upon devising ways and means to put into operation economy measures which will pass through the House comparatively easily, the Premier is staging a personal triumph by aiming to include certain economy measures which received the support of Cabinet Ministers, of the late Labour Government, who are now preparing to offer every resistance to the National Government. Mr. MacDonald wishes to hoist Mr. Henderson with his own petard.

SALARY CUTS FORESHADOWED

London, Yesterday. The examination of the economies side of the problem was nearly completed at this evening's meeting of the Cabinet which lasted three and a quarter hours. The economies, not yet settled include reduction of salaries of Cabinet Ministers, Members of the House of Commons, Civil Servants, Judges and teachers. Consideration of the Financial side is less advanced, but will be resumed to-morrow. MacDonald Preparing Personal Triumph.

It is learned that while the Cabinet aim at producing a programme assured of majority support and speedy passage through the House of Commons, Mr. MacDonald is courting an ultimate personal triumph by including proposals which the followers of Mr. Henderson approved as Labour Ministers.

In conformity with the usual budgetary procedure, the new proposals are not likely to be divulged before the meeting of Parliament.

Labour Defection Anticipated. A mass defection of Labourites is expected which will necessitate the allotting of minor Ministerial posts to Liberals and Conservatives.

The Rt. Hon. Craigie Aitchison, Lord Advocate of Scotland, has agreed to retain his office, and the Conservative Chief Whip, Comm. Rt. Hon. D. M. Eyles Monsell, R.N., takes over the Whip's office.—*Reuter.*

Posed For Talks. London, Yesterday. The National Cabinet assembled promptly this afternoon at 4 o'clock. This first Cabinet Meeting was prelude by the usual theatrical ceremony of posing for the talks. It is suggested to-night that Parliament may be called on September 15 instead of September 8 in order to permit the Cabinet to make a very detailed examination of the Sub-Committees' reports.

London, Yesterday. Prime Minister Ramsay MacDonald returned to London by aeroplane this morning from Loughborough where, over the weekend he had been hard at work on various matters connected with the task of the new Government. The Cabinet met this afternoon. Members have been studying the material prepared by the two Sub-Committees appointed at the first meeting on Wednesday last to report on economy and taxation measures and on Parliamentary procedure. The reports are understood to be complete, and the Cabinet is proceeding to a final study of the comprehensive scheme to be submitted to Parliament at a special session next week.

So far, the only item of the proposals which has been disclosed and discussed is a suggested reduction by ten per cent. in Unemployment Benefit apart from allowances for children, but when an official announcement of the completed plan is made it is confidently anticipated that it will be found to provide for equitable distribution of sacrifices in accordance with Government's declared policy.

To-day's meeting of the Cabinet lasted three and a half hours. The arrival and departure of Ministers was watched by a large crowd.—*British Wireless Service.*

LONDON 'CHANGE.

**Bargaining Hours Fixed
on Saturdays.**

10.30 — NOON.

London, Yesterday. In connection with the forthcoming London Stock Exchange opening on Saturdays, the Committee states that bargaining hours will be from 10.30 a.m. till noon.—*Reuter.*

LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

**Strong Demand for
China Lights.**

THIS MORNING'S FEATURES.

The official summary issued by the Stock Exchange this morning stated:—

The chief feature of the market this morning was the strong demand for China Lights, in which very large dealings have taken place both for cash and forward delivery. There is also still a demand for quite a number of stocks in the list.

Banks were dealt in at \$2,040.

Bank of East Asia were in request at \$134, but no shares appeared.

Unions were wanted at \$552½, which did not tempt holders.

Wharves were enquired for at \$163 without leading to business.

Providents (old), after having been reported done at \$6.40 and \$6.65, were in further demand at \$6½. The new shares were reported sales at \$3.05 and \$3.10, but at the close there were buyers at the former rate.

H.K. Lands, which were reported sales at \$91½ and \$92, were in demand at \$91.50, with sellers asking the higher quotation. Realities were in request at \$17.40 ex div., but the rate did not lead to any transactions.

There were sellers offering Ewos at \$18.30, but nothing transpired at this rate.

Trams, which reported sales at \$22.10 and \$22.20, were still in demand at \$22.10.

Star Ferries were in demand at \$94½, which did not bring out any shares.

China Lights were done at \$30, and there were buyers at this rate at the close.

Electric, which were sold at \$81½, were wanted at this rate at the end.

Telephones (fully paid) were wanted at \$46, and the new shares were dealt in at \$84½, and buyers wanted shares at \$34.

Cements, after being done at \$20½, were in request at \$20.40.

Ropes had buyers at \$22 without getting shares.

Dairy Farms, with sales reported at \$33, had buyers offering \$32.90, but sellers were asking the former figure.

Lane, Crawfords (old) were again in demand at \$7.80 and the new shares at \$7.50, but there was nothing to record.

Mackintosh stock was in demand at \$18 without business being done.

Amusements (old) were in demand at \$26½, as were the new shares at \$23 and \$28.80, respectively.

Entertainments (old) were enquired for at \$15.

Constructions had buyers offering \$13.60, but the rate did not procure shares.

AMUSEMENTS

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